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MAHATMA'S TRIUMPH IN CENTRAL BUDGET

Iniquitous Salt Impost Abolished

RELIEF TO POOR, BUT BLOW TO BIG PROFITS

LIAQUAT'S DRIVE AGAINST SOCIAL INEQUALITIES

Threat Of War On Speculators And Profiteers

The abolition of Salt Duty, reminiscent of notorious antecedents and historic political battles, was the highlight of Liaquat Ali Khan's budget presented to the Central Assembly on Friday evening.

According to the Finance Member, the revised estimates of 1946-47 showed a deficit of 45.28 crores, and the budget estimates for 1947-48 forecasted a deficit of 48.46 crores, exclusive of the revenue loss incidental to the abolition of the Salt Tax. Thus the total deficit amounted to 56.71 crores.

Though Mr. Liaquat Khan proposed fresh tax burdens to cover a big portion of the soaring deficit, he has skilfully used taxation, not merely to fill in the gap in the budget but also to eliminate glaring social inequalities between "income and standards of life of wealthy classes and vast multitude of poverty-stricken masses." His "free salt" is a gift to the nation, specially for the poor. The Finance Member has also shown consideration to the middle-class by raising income-tax exemption limit from Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 2,500.

25 per cent tax on business profits exceeding one lakh, cent per cent increase in the Corporation Tax, the lowering of Super Tax exemption limit for earned and unearned incomes and the graduated tax on capital gains pass on the burden of budget deficit to the shoulders of the rich, and this is considered as a big blow by the big business.

NEW TAX PROPOSALS

The Finance Member in his budget speech today announced the abolition of salt tax.

The abolition of salt tax means a loss of Rs. 8 crores. With the addition of this amount, the deficit would increase to Rs. 56.71 crores.

The Finance Member announced amid cheers raising of the minimum exemption limit for Income-tax from Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 2,500.

TAX ON BUSINESS PROFITS

Mr. Liaquat Ali announced a 25 per cent tax on business profits exceeding one lakh of rupees.

The Finance Member proposed to raise the rate of Corporation Tax from one anna to two annas. No change in the rate of Income-tax.

Under indirect taxation, he proposed export duty on tea to be increased from two annas to four annas a lb.

He announced a graduated tax on capital gains.

All these taxes would bring an additional revenue of rupees 39.79 crores, leaving a final deficit of Rupees 16.96 crores.

NEW LIMIT FOR SUPER-TAX

The revised scale at which Super-Tax will apply, now is Rs. 1.2 lakhs for unearned income and Rs. 1.5 lakhs for earned income, instead of Rs. 3.5 lakhs and Rs. five lakhs as at present.

NATIONALISATION OF RESERVE BANK

The Finance Member proposed to appoint an Economy Committee of officials and non-officials to make proposals for economy and expenditure and elimination of extravagant expenditure.

He had come to the conclusion that the Reserve Bank should be nationalised.

WAR ON PROFITEERS AND SPECULATORS

He proposed to bring before the House a measure to control speculation on the stock market and commodity and bullion exchanges.

He also proposed the appointment of a special commission to investigate vast accumulation of wealth.

Four Bills Introduced

After presenting the budget proposals the Finance Member Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan introduced the following four bills: A bill to give effect to the Government for the year beginning financial proposals of the Central on the 1st day of April, 1947, a bill further to amend the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, and the Excess Profits Tax Act, 1940, a bill to impose a special tax on certain class of income and a bill to provide for an investigation relating to taxation on income.

The House then adjourned till Monday.

IN COUNCIL OF STATE

In the Council of State Sir Cyril Jones, Principal Finance Secretary, presented the budget. In accordance with the precedent set up last year, he read out the Finance Member's speech delivered to the Assembly.

The Council of State adjourned till March 4.

HIGHER STANDARD OF LIVING FOR MASSES

In announcing his taxation proposals Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan said:—

"I should like to take this opportunity to emphasise the importance of regional planning in the economy of this sub-continent. The fundamental object of all planning and development is to raise the standard of living of the masses. In order to ensure a uniform improvement in the standard of living, it is essential that all parts of the country, particularly the backward areas should develop a sound and balanced economy.

Before I pass on to my proposals for reducing the gap between Revenue and Expenditure, the House will doubtless wish for an assurance from me that the estimates of expenditure of the Central Government in the coming year are not in excess of what is essential for the day to day administration and for necessary development. I am aware that there is a feeling in this House that the Central Government expenditure needs scrutiny in certain respects. I agree that, if only for the purpose of conserving our resources for development, there may be certain directions in which such a scrutiny can be usefully exercised. It may, for instance, be found that some of the establishments of the Government of India are susceptible of reduction. Again, certain wartime activities which in the first instance were undertaken to meet specified wartime requirements may have escaped review even though the need for them may have ceased to exist. And, lastly, it may also be necessary to see if the Central Government has undertaken any functions or activities which legitimately fall within the provincial sphere beyond what is necessary.

In other words, economy and the elimination of unnecessary, wasteful or extravagant expenditure is my objective rather than pure retrenchment.

RESERVE BANK MUST BE NATIONALISED

An important question which I might mention at this state is the nationalisation of the Reserve Bank of India. I am convinced that the advantages of nationalisation outweigh any possible disadvantages. I have therefore come to the conclusion that the Reserve Bank should be nationalised; the time and man-

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Haifa Rocked By Explosions

One Killed: Several Injured

JERUSALEM, Feb. 28 (U.P.A.): Three powerful bomb explosions rocked Haifa's harbour area today and blew up an army safe in Barclay's Bank in the heart of the port area a few hours after an illegal immigrant ship was intercepted and grounded off the Palestine coast. Seven British soldiers were seriously injured.

According to a Reuter message, it is believed that one person was killed and several injured when the explosions shook Haifa today.

'HABEAS CORPUS' APPLICATION

JERUSALEM, Feb. 28 (Reuter): A leading seaman was wounded, according to an unconfirmed report today when the Royal Navy intercepted and boarded off Haifa a ship carrying more than 13,000 Jewish immigrants.

The Palestine High Court has issued an order permitting the vessel to remain at Haifa pending the hearing of an application for 'Habeas Corpus' filed by the Jewish Community on behalf of the immigrants.

It was learned at Algiers today that about 760 Jews left Tunis for Palestine yesterday. They travelled by way of Marseilles.

DETENUS FOR KENYA

Jewish detenus at the camp in Eritrea will be transferred to Kenya owing to uncertainty in maintaining the Eritrean camp when the future of the country is decided under the peace settlement, it was officially stated today.

CHINESE REDS' SUCCESS

NANKING, Feb. 28 (Reuter): Bitter fights are taking place near Changchun in Southern Manchuria. The reports said that Teliswei, 50 miles to the north, has already fallen to Communist forces.

BUDGET AT A GLANCE

	1946-47 (revised) crores
Revenue	336.19
Expenditure	381.47
Deficit	45.28
	1947-48 (budget) crores
Revenue	279.42
Defence Expenditure	188.71
Civil Expenditure	139.07
Total Expenditure	327.88
Deficit	48.46
	crores
Total deficit after the abolition of Salt Tax	56.71
Yield from proposed taxation	39.79
Uncovered deficit	16.96

ELLEN WILKINSON DIED OF OVERDOSE

LONDON, Feb. 28, (U.P.A.): The Coroner's verdict held today that Britain's late Labourite Edcationu Minister, Miss Ellen Wilkinson, died from an overdose or drugs apparently taken while so ill-she did not know what she was doing.

After a brief hearing the Westminister Coroner ruled that the Minister, who was an outstanding member of the Government, must have taken too many tablets prescribed to her for asthama and insomnia.

He said she was suffering from bronchitis and pnaumonia and an apparent accident caused her death three weeks ago. The tablets were on a table beside her bed.

Prakasam Rules Out No Confidence Motion

BUT CONGRESS LEGISLATORS ELECT NEW LEADER

MADRAS, February 28. (A.P.I): The no-confidence motion against the leader of the Madras Legislature Congress Party, Mr. T. Prakasam, was ruled out of order by him at the special meeting of the party which was held at 1 p.m. today in a tense atmosphere

Mr. Prakasam presided over the meeting, which was attended by most of the members of the Party, as also by the General Secretary of the Congress, Mr. Shankerrao Deo.

Steel-helmeted police were posted at the gates of the Banqueting Hall of Government House, on Mount Road, where the meeting was held behind closed doors, while large crowds moved about on Government House grounds, eagerly awaiting the result.

An hour before the meeting Dr. T. S. S. Rajan and Mr. K. Kamaraja Nadar, President of the Tamil Nad Congress, had separate discussions with Mr. Prakasam at his residence.

When the Party met at Government House, a member raised a point of order whether there was any provision in the Rules of the Party for a vote of no-confidence against the Leader. Several members spoke on the point of order, and ultimately Mr. Prakasam ruled that there was no provision in the Rules for such a motion. The President thereafter dissolved the meeting.

POINT OF ORDER

The point of order was raised by Mr. T. Purushottam, M.L.C., who was supported by Mr. T. Viswanathan, Chief Parliamentary Secretary and two others.

Mr. A. Vaidyanatha Iyer was the principal spokesman on the other side. He quoted laws and rules to support his contention that members of the Party who elected the Leader had every right to move a vote of no-confidence in him whenever in their view he disregarded the interests of the Party.

PRAKASAM'S RULING

Mr. T. Prakasam, upholding the point of order, said there was a specific provision in the Rules of the Party for the annual election of the Leader, but none at all for any no-confidence motion before the end of that period of one year.

He added there was no inherent right against the written constitution of the Party, nor an inherent right to alter it, unless necessary amendments were made to the Party Rules. He, therefore, ruled the motion of no-confidence out of order and as there was no other business on the agenda, he dissolved the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting lasted about an hour and a half.

NO-CONFIDENCE CARRIED

Soon after Mr. Prakasam dissolved the Party meeting, another meeting was held at the same place with Mr. Omandur Ramaswami Reddiar, Deputy Leader of the Party, in the chair.

About 130 members attended the meeting.

A resolution expressing want of confidence in Mr. Prakasam as the Leader of the Party was unanimously passed at the meeting.

The meeting also passed a resolution electing Mr. Omandur Ramaswami Reddiar as the Leader of the Party.

Mr. Shanker Rao Deo, General Secretary of the Congress, was a silent spectator at both the meetings.

NO DISSENTIENT VOTE

At the conclusion of the second

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LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON (MAY)
NEW YORK, Feb. 28.

Previous Closing	33.42
Today's Opening	33.20
Difference	—22
Today's Closing	33.24
Difference	—18

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
NEW YORK, Feb. 28.
Stock Exchange Opening prices.
Anaconda Copper Mining 40-7/8
General Motors 60-5/8
United States Steel Common 74-1/4.
United States Steel preference 146-1/2.

Latest Bazar Quotations

BOMBAY, Feb. 28.
9 P.M.

Cotton May	444	0
Silver Chamber	142	8
Silver Bullion	157	8
Silver Fagan	152	8
Gold Bullion	97	8
Gold Fagan	93	8

To Be Signed At Dunkirk

Bevin On Anglo-French Alliance Pact

LONDON, Feb. 28 (Reuter). Britain and France have reached agreement on the terms of the Treaty of Alliance, the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, told the House of Commons today. He hoped that it would be signed on Tuesday, March 4, at Dunkirk.

Mr. Bevin's brief statement said:

"I am very glad to be able to state that agreement has now been reached between the British Government in the United Kingdom and the French Government on the terms of the Treaty of Alliance.

"There are a few adjustments now being made.

"The treaty will, I hope, be signed by the French Foreign Minister and myself on Tuesday, March, 4, at Dunkirk. ((Loud cheers.)

"Its text will be laid before the house as soon as possible thereafter.

"The Dominions have been kept fully informed.

On behalf of the Opposition, Mr. Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, said that he warmly welcomed Mr. Bevin's statement and congratulated him upon his part in the negotiations.

ON WAY TO MOSCOW

Mr. Ernest Bevin will sign the new Anglo-French Alliance on Tuesday at Dunkirk on his way to Moscow for the "Big Four" Conference on Germany, where he and the French Foreign Minister M. Geroges Bidault, will be able to back at first hand the public assurances that the Alliance is not directed against any third party.

Mahatma For Bihar

HAIMCHAR, (Tipperah), Feb. 28 (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi, it is learnt, is likely to leave Haimchar at 2 p.m. on March 2 by jeep with a party of not more than five for Chandpur, on his way to Bihar.

It is learnt that he will not lose any time in Calcutta, but will leave for Bihar immediately.

Stop Exports Of Jute Bags To Ceylon

Aney's Advice To Govt. Of India: Sequel To Sanctions Against S. Africa

NEW DELHI, Feb. 28 (UPI).—Reports are understood to have reached the Government of India that economic sanctions imposed last year against the South African Union as a measure of retaliation against the former's discriminatory treatment of Indian settlers there, have begun to be felt in South Africa.

For one thing, the Government of India Agent in Ceylon is understood to have reported that having failed to obtain the supplies of jute bags from India through indirect purchase, the South African Government have placed orders with Ceylon for two millions of jute bags. Mr. M. S. Aney, India's Representative in Ceylon, is understood to have recommended to the Government of India that India should stop exporting of jute bags to Ceylon until the Ceylon Government gives an assurance that the Indian jute would not be utilised to meet the South African order.

It may be mentioned here that Ceylon imports nearly one million jute bags from India every year.

STOP PRESS

BRITAIN TO LIFT ELECTRICITY BAN

LONDON, Feb. 28 (Reuter): The ban on the use of electricity for non-essential industry in London and the south-east area of England will be lifted from Monday, March 3.

LISBON REFUSES TO TAKE LESSON

LISBON, Feb. 28 (UPA): Britain's decision to fix a deadline for withdrawal from India would in no way influence Portugal's policy regarding Portuguese possessions in India, authoritative sources said to-day.

CHIANG ORDERS RED DELEGATION TO QUIT

NANKING, Feb. 28 (UPA): Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shekk to-day ordered the Communist delegation to leave Nanking before Wednesday.

MUDALIAR RE-ELECTED

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (APA): The Economic and Social Council to-day unanimously re-elected the Indian delegate, Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar as President.

263 VIET NAMESE KILLED

PARIS, Feb. 28 (APA): French troops killed 263 Viet Namese soldiers in a fight on Tuesday north-west of Hanoi, despatches from Indo-China reported to-day.

"Poor Man Gets His Salt-Rich Man His Grave"

Lobby Reaction Varies From Enthusiastic Welcome To Shaking Of Heads

NEW DELHI, Feb. 28 (API): The first part of Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan's "Socialist" Budget was for the most part a deceptively factual and unemotional recital to which a full house and galleries packed to overflowing listened in passive silence until he unleashed his taxation proposals.

Representatives of the moneyed classes gasped as the taxes on higher incomes and the proposal to investigate large accumulations of wealth were announced in succession, while the poor man's spokesmen broke into unrestrained cheering.

As the decision to abolish the Salt Tax was announced, a visitor in the public galleries forgot the warning against demonstrations and clapped his hands in wild glee until a more seated neighbour silenced him.

Among distinguished visitors were Mr. George Merrel, the American Charge d'Affaires, R. S. Naidu, Sir Homi Modi and Mr. M. A. Master.

LOBBY REACTION

Lobby comment varied from enthusiastic welcome to sceptical shaking of heads.

Khwaja Nazimuddin, Deputy Leader of the Muslim League Party, called it a poor man's budget.

Khan Mohd. Yamin Khan (Muslim League): "The taxes on higher income are a blessing and the raising of the level of Income Tax exemption to Rs. 2,500 should be welcomed."

Mr. N. V. Gadgil (Congress) said: "The poor man gets his salt; the rich man his grave", while Seth Govind Das (Congress) felt it was the most satisfactory budget placed before the House in his Legislative life of 23 years in the Assembly. He, however, was critical of the Finance Member's remarks on planning.

CITY BARONET'S VIEW

Sir Cowasji Jehangir, Bombay industrialist: "It is much more severe than anybody could ever have expected and what its consequences on the present conditions of trade and industry in the country will be is difficult to estimate. But it must have the effect of retarding the future development of industries in this country."

Mr. Vadilal Lallubhai: "The taxation on industries would now come to about nine annas in the rupee and will retard the progress of industrialisation and, so, Government may have to take up State industrialisation. The taxation proposals regarding capital gains are not clear but looking at the heavy sales by Europeans in the past year, it is possible that they might have had an inkling that this kind of taxation was coming. It is advisable to give retrospective effect to this taxation. The Bill for investigation into matters relating to taxation of income is a good measure provided it is honestly enforced."

Nawab Ismail Khan (Muslim League): This is the first time a poor man's budget has been presented. This was what was expected of a Government composed as it is of representatives of the Congress and the Muslim League."

Dr. Ziauddin Ahmed (Muslim League): "The poor and middle class people stand to gain and the people who will really suffer are the multi-millionaires. I welcome it."

LABOUR OPINION

Mr. N. M. Joshi (Labour): "The proposals are good and out of the ordinary. The nationalisation of the Reserve Bank is a very good proposal."

Miss Maniben Kara (Labour): "A much better budget than I expected. I am glad the burden of taxes is on the rich people."

Khan Abdul Ghani Khan (Congress): I thought it splendid. I am

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SLUMP ON CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, Feb. 28 (API): The Central Government's budget resulted in a slump in the Calcutta Stock Exchange, which, during the special night session, collapsed on the taxation proposals contained therein.

The session closed with practically shares being quoted at the recently fixed minimum prices, at which level sellers completely predominated. Closing quotations were Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary Rs. 40, Steel Corporation of Bengal Ordinary Rs. 31/8 and Howrah Jute Rs. 108.

It is reported that business was also done privately in Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary at Rs. 39/8.

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Dated this 28th day of February, 1947.

MANEKJI RUSTOMJI BILIMORIA.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY. TENDER NOTICE

THE SPECIAL ENGINEER invites tenders for the work of "Demolition of the structures forming part of the old Indian Military Hospital, Sion including removal of the demolished materials" returnable on the 14th March 1947, not later than 1 P.M. (B.T.)

Tender forms, containing directions etc., with a copy of plan showing the structures to be demolished can be had at Rs. 5/- per copy from the Office of the Special Engineer, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

(Sd.) N. V. MODAK.
Special Engineer.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY. TENDERS.

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES. Bombay Municipality, invites tenders for the maintenance and repairs of weighing machines and scales in the different departments of the Municipality.

Tender forms, together with full particulars of the machines can be had from his office at 566, De-Lisle Road, Bombay, on payment of Rs. 2/-. Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, not later than 1 P.M. (B.T.) on FRIDAY, the 14th March, 1947. (2331)

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3. Masore whole.	-	40
4. Moth.	-	40
5. Val.	-	15
6. Moongdal with husk (Chilka)	1500	500
7. Jaggery.	750	250
8. Masore dal.	800	100
9. Garlic.	40	15

Tenders closing on 5-3-47 at 12 Hrs. in the Office of the Asstt. Controller of Grain Shops, Freelandgunj, Dohad.

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ASSTT. CONTROLLER.
Grainshops, Dohad.

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LEGAL NOTICES

RE: ESTATE OF DR. KAIKHUSHROO MANCHERJI GIMI DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all Creditors and other persons having any claims or demands against the estate of the abovenamed Dr. Kaikhushroo Mancherji Gimi, deceased, (who died at Bombay, on or about the 1st day of August, 1945 and the Probate of whose Will with the two Codicils thereto having effect throughout the whole of British India was granted on the 7th day of February, 1946 to Phirozshah Mancherji Gimi, Ardeshir Furdoonji Gimi, Sorabji Pestonji Wadia, Jehangir Nusserwanji Daruwalla and Kaikhosru Furdoonji Seervai, the Executors are hereby required to send in their claims to the undersigned the Attorneys for the said Executors at their office at Yusuf Building, Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay, within 15 days from the date hereof at the expiration of which time the said Executors will distribute the assets among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice.

Dated this 28th day of February, 1947.

VACHHA & CO.,
Attorneys for the Executors.

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NOTICE

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Dated this 22nd day of Feb. 1947.

Messrs. HASAN BAXI & CO.,
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No tender will be considered which is not made on the prescribed form and which is not accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 200|- by crossed cheque as earnest money. The deposit will be returned to the unsuccessful tenderers.

Tenders will be received upto 1-0 p. m. (S. T.) on Tuesday the 11th March 1947.

F. M. SURVEYOR,
Chief Engineer.

Ballard Road, Fort, Bombay.

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QUALIFICATIONS:— Graduate with a good Honours or second class Degree. Graduates in Economics, Commerce or Agriculture and with experience of Co-operative Movement preferred. Sound knowledge of Regional Language considered essential. Age not more than 35. Age limit may be waived in the case of persons in the service of Co-operative Institution or the Co-operative Department. Applications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, 9, Bakehouse Lane, Fort, Bombay, to reach him on or before the 15th March. 1947.

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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
Suit No. 1727 of 1945

KALIDAS KANJI of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, carrying on business as Merchants and Commission Agents at Ramwadi, Kalbadevi Road, outside the Fort of Bombay ..... Plaintiff

versus

Messrs. HIRALAL PRABHUDAS, a firm, recently carrying on business as Piece Goods Merchants at Old Hanuman Lane, outside the Fort of Bombay ... Defendants

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India. To the SHERIFF OF BOMBAY, Greetings.

Attachment of a Debt not secured by negotiable instrument under O. XXI, R. 46 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

Amount of Decree inclusive of costs ...	Rs. 25,894	as. 11	ps. 0
Cost of Execution	75	0	0
Further Interest at six per cent per annum on Rs. 25,894-11-0 from the 18th June, 1946 till Payment.			

WHEREAS THE PLAINTIFF abovenamed has applied for execution of the Decree, dated the 18th day of June, 1946, by attachment of the following debts due by the person hereinafter named to the defendants abovenamed and not secured by negotiable instrument and specified in the list hereto.

NOW WE COMMAND you to cause to be made known, in manner provided in this behalf by the Code of Civil Procedure, that the said defendants are hereby prohibited from recovering the sum or any part thereof and the firm of Messrs. Darashaw Minocheher and Bros. the selling agents of the Moon Mills, Ltd., be and are hereby prohibited from making payment of the same, or any part thereof, until further order of this Hon'ble Court.

WE FURTHER COMMAND you to return this Warrant, on or before the 1st day of November, 1947, with an endorsement certifying the date and manner in which it has been executed, or why it has not been executed. Witness Sir Leonard Stone, Knight, Chief Justice of Bombay aforesaid, the 1st day of November, 1946.

(Sd.)
A. H. KIRTIKAR,
For Prothonotary & Senior Master.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) A. R. NARAYAN AYAR,
Sealer.

The 1st day of November, 1946.

Messrs. MOTICHAND DEVIDAS,
Attorneys for the Plaintiff.

LIST

By attachment of the amount of Rs. 4,000/- or any other amount belonging to the withinnamed defendants and lying with the firm of Messrs. Darashaw Minocheher & Bros., the Selling Agents of the Moon Mills, Ltd. carrying on business at Champa Gully, near Mulji Jetha Market, Bombay, to the extent of Rs. 4,000/-.

TRUE COPY.
Plaintiff's Attorneys.

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LEGAL NOTICES

HIGH COURT.
O. O. C. J.
I. C. No. 77 of 1945.

In the matter of the INDIAN COMPANIES ACT VII of 1913,
—and—
In the matter of the MINERVA GLASS WORKS, LTD. (in liqdn.)

THE CREDITORS of the abovenamed company are required on or before 26th March 1947 to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their debts or claims and the names and addresses of their attorneys (if any) to the undersigned and if so required by notice in writing from the Official Liquidator or in person or by their attorneys to come and in prove their said debts or claims at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

The claims should be made on an affidavit affirmed before an Officer of the Court empowered to administer Oaths and affixed with proper Court Fee Stamp.

Dated this 22nd day of February 1947.

R. MATHALONE,
Official Liquidator.

High Court, Bombay.

(2313)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HOOSEIN FAZAL, of Bombay Khoja Mahomedan Inhabitant has contracted to sell to my client the property situate at 1st Koli Lane, Lower Colaba, admeasuring 26 square yards or thereabouts bearing Collector's Old No. 227, New No. 4816, Old Survey No. 22, New Survey No. 9642, Collector's Rent Roll No. 8348 and C. S. No. 265, Colaba Division and Municipal A Ward No. 792, Street Nos. 16-18, New No. 9. The title-deeds of the said property including the last Conveyance dated 6th May, 1908, from Bai Nandubai, widow of Purshottam Hirji and another to Hoosein Fazal are said to have been destroyed in a fire which took place on or about 27th February, 1920, in a house, situate at Dongri, bearing B Ward No. 3644, Street Nos. 575-581, which belonged to the Trustees of the Estate of HIRABAI, widow of Rahimbhai Allobhai. Any person having any knowledge about the said title-deeds or the destruction or loss thereof by fire or otherwise, howsoever, or claiming any right to the said title-deeds by deposit or otherwise, howsoever, or to the said property by way of lease, lien, mortgage, charge, exchange, gift, inheritance or otherwise, howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his Office at Picket Road, Kalbadevi, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to any such claim or claims.

Bombay, 28th February, 1947.

CHHOTALAL J. GHIA,
Purchaser's Advocate.

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AUCTION SALES

SALES BY AUCTION.
SALE OF 14 BALES SHANGHAI RAW SILK:

Messrs. Sorabjee Cowasjee & Co., will sell by Public Auction on Monday, the 3rd March, 1947, at 3 P.M. at their sale room by order of the parties concerned and on account and at the risk of the parties concerned and pursuant to the consent order passed by the High Court on 24th January, 1947, in Suit No. 1801 of 1946, the following:—

"White Steam Filatures 20/22 Deniers, "D" Grade:—

5 Bales "Air plane" chop nett weight 672 lbs.

5 Bales "White Forward" chop nett weight 639 1/4 lbs.

4 Bales "Double Horses" chop nett weight 532 1/2 lbs.

25 per cent. deposit or if required full purchase money with sale tax shall be paid by the buyers at the time of sale and the balance if any shall be paid the day after the sale with sale tax and the goods shall be taken delivery at the buyers expense.

IMPORTANT TO BUILDING CONTRACTORS, MOTOR DEALERS & SAFE MAKERS & OTHERS:

Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO., will sell by public auction on Monday 3rd. March 1947 at 3-30 P.M. at their sale room the following:—

10 Pieces American Spray Painting Machines (American De Vilbiss Maker):

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE:

The sale of Immovable Property situate at Palli Hill, Danda Road, Bandra that was advertised to take place to-morrow Sunday 2nd March 1947 on account and at the risk of Mrs. Rose Domingo D'Abreo and others is postponed:

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,
123, Medows Street, Fort.

AUCTION SALE OF OUTER covers of American tyres, 10" 12 1/2", 17", 27", 26" and 47" various sizes, 1667 Nos., Inner tubes, 12 1/2", 27", 36" and 47" 1550 Nos. Valves T. R. 36431 Nos., Bridge washers 54 Nos etc. on Tuesday, 4-3-47 at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) at the Factory of M/s Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co. of India, Ltd., Hay Bunder Road, Sewri, Bombay, under instructions from the Regional Disposal Commissioner, Bombay.

Terms: 25 per cent cash deposit, balance in 7 days, delivery in 21 days, otherwise money will be forfeited and sale cancelled.

GANDHI & CO.

No Changes In B.P.T. Charges

Budget Estimates For 1947-48

Sir B. Rama Rau in explaining the Port Trust Budget estimates 1947-48 said:—

In the Budget Estimates for the current year, it is impossible to estimate with any degree of accuracy the probable revenue of the Port during the year, owing to the operation of a large number of factors such as exchange and other trade controls, etc., the cumulative effect of which it was difficult to assess. Nor was there any reliable information as to the pace at which demobilisation would take place and at which the heavy arrears in respect of Government war transactions would be collected.

REVISED ESTIMATES 1946-47

The revised estimate of the revenue for 1946-47 has been placed at Rs. 457.62 lakhs as against the Budget estimate of 337.75 lacs and the actual receipts of Rs. 449.13 lakhs during 1945-46, thus giving a surplus 119.87 lakhs.

In respect of imports there have been substantial increases under fuel oil and other heavy mineral oils, machinery, motor cars and lorries, oilman stores, chemicals and drugs, grains and raw cotton. The receipts from imports of petrol and Government stores were on a much smaller scale.

In respect of exports, the items which show substantial increases are cotton, fuel oil (bunkers), naval and military stores and manganese ore.

EXPENDITURE: The budgeted expenditure for 1946-47 under the General Account was Rs. 371.79 lakhs while the revised estimate is Rs. 410.05 lakhs. The increase of Rs. 38.26 lakhs is due almost wholly to the revision of scales of pay and to leave and other concessions sanctioned after the original estimates had been framed in the beginning of 1946.

WORKING RESULT: The revised estimate of the surplus on the General Account is thus Rs. 47.57 lakhs, as against an estimated deficit of Rs. 34.04 lakhs.

BUDGET ESTIMATES, 1947-48

RECEIPTS: Conditions are gradually returning to normal and commercial cargo is rapidly replacing military cargo. We shall lose considerably, therefore, under the heads which yielded a large revenue when wartime conditions prevailed. The estimate of the decreases is 70.69 lakhs.

On the basis of the available information the receipts for the next year on the General Account have been estimated at Rs. 355.21 lakhs, which represents a drop, after excluding Interest and Miscellaneous, of 21 per cent on the actuals of 1945-46 and 23 per cent on the revised estimate for 1946-47.

EXPENDITURE: The estimated expenditure for 1947-48 is Rs. 387.17 lakhs, which is almost the same as the actuals of 1945-46. It includes a sum of about Rs. 18 lakhs on account of the temporary posts sanctioned for increase of work during the war period. As there is as yet no marked reduction in work, a full year's provision has been made for those posts. As compared with the revised estimate for 1946-47, the estimate of expenditure for the next year shows a reduction of Rs. 22.87 lakhs.

NO CHANGES IN PORT CHARGES

WORKING RESULT: On the basis of the estimates given above, the deficit for 1947-48 will be Rs. 31.96 lakhs. There are still no reliable data for framing reasonably accurate estimates, which, so far as revenue is concerned, are based to some extent on hypothetical assumptions. Apart from this, large surpluses have been accumulated during the war period and there are substantial sums in the Revenue Reserve and other Funds. **I, therefore, propose no change in the rates of wharfage and other port charges.**

PILOTAGE RATES TO INCREASE

The balance in the Vessels' Replacement Fund, against which the surpluses and deficits of the Pilotage Account are adjusted, was Rs. 11.87 lakhs on March 31st, 1946. After adjusting the deficits for 1946-47 and 1947-48 and the cost of certain works amounting to Rs. 58,000, which is also debitable to the fund, the balance will be reduced to Rs. 5.26 lakhs. There is, therefore, a 'prima facie' case for raising the pilotage rates. Since conditions have not yet returned to normal, I propose that the consideration of the question of raising the rates should be postponed till the next year.

CAPITAL ESTIMATES

Capital Estimates provide for Rs. 137.04 lakhs Ways and Means. Provision has been made for the receipt from the Government of an interest-free loan of Rs. 60 lakhs and of Rs. 51.42 lakhs, being the balance of the "Explosion claims." This figure does not include miscellaneous claims for pensions, etc., which do not enter in.

The items which would be financed from the interest free loan are extension of administrative office in Mody Bay Estate, construction of permanent quarters for inferior staff at Antop village and building a hospital for Port Trust staff.

New works will be financed, as usual, from the Revenue Reserve Fund, to the extent of Rs. 59.42 lakhs. After allowing for the balance of the expenditure on the reconstruction items already referred to, there would be a balance of funds amounting to Rs. 149.56 lakhs, which will be carried forward for works in subsequent years.

PADDY CULTIVATION ON NIRA CANAL

The Government of Bombay desires to bring it to the notice of the members of the public concerned that on the Nira Canals it is necessary to plant the paddy crop in such a way that no irrigation for this crop would be necessary after October 1, when the big demand for the rabi crops will be starting.

"NEW INDIA BALLET"

I. P. T. A. To Revive Song-And-Dance Play In City

The public of Bombay will welcome the revival by the Indian People's Theatre Association of their flaming patriotic magazine of songs and dances entitled "NEW INDIA" at Sunderbai Hall on 2nd and 3rd March (Sunday and Monday) at 6-15 p. m.

The programme constitutes a most powerful message for united action against imperialism delivered through dexterous song and dance. This vivacious programme was prepared during the worst period of riots in the City, and was performed by "IPTA" boys and girls all over Bombay and suburbs, in Hindu and Muslim areas alike. More than their former ballets "SPIRIT OF INDIA" and IMMORTAL INDIA", the "NEW INDIA" combines great entertainment with poignent topicality. The star items are "THE REVOLT OF THE R.I.N." "THE NEW VILLAGE", "SALUTE KASHMIR" coupled with those unfailing hits "RAM LEELA" and the "DANCE OF THE PEACOCK."

The troupe has recently returned from an extensive tour of Gujarat. They gave thirteen performances in Ahmedabad alone.

The programme at Sunderabai Hall will be at cheaper rates, i. e. Rs. 2-8-0 Rs. 1-4-0 and 10 annas.

Egypt Sure Of U.N.O. Support

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (APA): The Egyptian Ambassador to Washington, Mahmoud Hassan, said yesterday that he was 10 per cent sure that the United Nations members due to consider the Anglo-Egyptian dispute would be "on our side".

The Ambassador stated in an interview, "The evacuation of British troops is not only our right but is in accordance with the United Nations Charter. I do not see how any power can stand in the way of that".

There had been a general misinterpretation abroad of the Egyptian position on the Sudan, the Ambassador said. "If the Sudanese were called on to express their choice—without foreign interference—they would be 100 per cent for unity with Egypt", he added.

He said, "They know that Egypt and the Sudan are like Siamese twins. that if the membrane binding them is cut, each will die".

SOUTH AFRICAN GOLD ARRIVES IN U. S.

BOSTON, Feb. 27, (U. P. A.): The freighter Joliet Victory today arrived from Capetown with 16 passengers and $8,500,000 worth of gold bullion for the Federal Reserve Bank in New York.

HAHNEMANN WEEK

Is being celebrated at Calicut by the A.I.A. (H. & N) under the auspices of the GRACE MEDICAL MISSION from 10th to 13th April. There will be speeches by eminent men, covering among others, the following subjects:—

1. Homoeopathy in its relation to (a) Health; (b) Surgery, & (c) Naturopathy. 2. Homoeopathy & Atomic Bomb. 3. Homoeopathy & Gandhian Philosophy. 4. Homoeopathy, the Universal System of Medicine in the New World Order. 5. Homoeopathy in Infectious Diseases. 6. Homoeopathy & its scientific basis. 7. Homoeopathy & ancient Indian culture. 8. Homoeopathy & Economic Swaraj.

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All communications and Scientific Papers to be read at the 'Hahnemann Week' and all applications for Prospectus of the Mission are to be addressed to the Grace Medical Mission, Mavelikara, Travancore.

AUCTION SALES

BONAFIDE SALE

AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW (Sunday) at 10-30 A.M. Property of B. Morris, Esqr. and others at Chowpatty seaface near Vianelli's Restaurant of complete household and office furniture, steel almirah, safe, A.C. D.C. 8, Val. Bush Radio, Singer Machine, typewriter, American large ice box, dining, writing and dressing table, chairs, sideboard, show case, Chesterfield tables and teapoys, almirah, bed, gramophone, etc. (Sales Tax). T. 40213. EASTERN AUCTION CO

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LOT NO. 1:—Leasehold land with dwelling house at Falkland Road, 8th Cross Lane, admeasuring about 85 sq. yards, bearing Municipal D Ward No. 2285, New Street No. 13.

LOT NO. 2:—Quit and ground rent tenure land with dwelling house at Bora Bazar Street, admeasuring about 98 sq. yards, bearing Municipal A Ward No. 2273 and Street Nos. 178 and 2 Junction of Bora Bazar Street and Maruti Lane.

Lot No. 3: Quit and ground rent land with dwelling house at Duncan Road, admeasuring about 104¾ sq. yards, bearing Municipal C Ward No. 7393, and New Street Nos. 504 and 506.

For conditions of sale apply to the above Solicitors or to the undersigned.

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(A copy of this prospectus has been filed with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, Orissa).

(Consent of the Central Government has been obtained to this issue under the Defence of India Rule 94-A. It must be distinctly understood that in giving this consent the Government of India do not take any responsibility for the financial soundness of any schemes or for the correctness of any statements made or opinions expressed with regard to them)

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Preference Shares	Rs. 20/-	Rs. 20/-
Ordinary Shares	Rs. 2/-	Rs. 2/-

and the balance in three equal calls of at least 3 months interval.

The Subscription list opened on February 1, 1947, and closes at the discretion of the Directors.

DIRECTORS

(1) **Dr. Narendra Nath Law, M.A., B.L., P.R.S., Ph.D.**, Merchant and Landholder. Address: 96. Amherst Street, Calcutta. Managing Director: Bangeswari Cotton Mills Ltd. Director, Indian Iron & Steel Co. Ltd., Hindusthan Co-operative Insurance Society Ltd., Star Paper Mills Ltd., and several other companies. Member: Reserve Bank of India and several other bodies.

(2) **Pandit Godavaris Misra, M.A., B.T.**, Ex-Minister, Orissa, Member Post-War Planning Board, Orissa.

(3) **Mr. G. P. Roy, B.E., M.I.E.**, Ex-District Engineer, Puri.

(4) **Dr. Nalinaksha Dutt, D.Litt.** (Lond.) Address: 39, Badur Bagan Row. Calcutta. Managing Director: Dominion Mercantile Agency Ltd., Director: Bangeswari Cotton Mills Ltd. President: Bengal Millowners' Association. Member: Textile Machinery Committee (Government of India).

(5) **Mr. P. S. Roy**, Ex-Parliamentary, Secretary, Orissa. Member: Post-War Planning Board, Orissa.

BANKERS
United Commercial Bank Ltd.
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SOLICITOR
Mr. S. M. Dutt,
6, Hastings Street, Calcutta.

AUDITORS
Messrs. P. K. Mittra & Co
P-7, Mission Row Extension, Cal-

MANAGING AGENTS
Utkal Textiles Limited.
Chowdhury Bazar, Cuttack

REGISTERED OFFICE
Chowdhury Bazar, Cuttack

CALCUTTA OFFICE
P-7, Mission Row Extension, Calc-

OBJECTS & PROSPECTS

The Company has been formed for the purpose more fully set forth in the memorandum of Association and in particular to establish, erect and work Textile Mills for the production of cotton yarn and piecegoods.

There is no Cotton Mill in Orissa, but a large section of the spinners and weavers of Bengal mills is recruited from Orissa. The handloom industry is appreciably large in this province but the weavers look to other provinces for the supply of their yarn Of the many special advantages that a cotton mill in this province can have, the following are worth mentioning:—

(1) Humid climate
(2) Proximity to Talcher coal fields.
(3) Ample efficient labour
(4) A large consuming public.
(5) A large population of handloom weavers.

TEXTILE MACHINERIES

The Company has received allotment for 25,000 spindles and 520 looms from the Government of India and has entered into a contract with a firm of textile machinery manufacturers for the supply of machineries.

COMMISSION AND BROKERAGE

The amount of commission and brokerage will be 5% to 7½% of the face value of shares.

PRELIMINARY EXPENSES

It is estimated that the preliminary expenses excluding brokerage and commission will not exceed in the aggregate Rs. 25,000/-.

PROMOTION

No payment has been made or is intended to be made to anybody for the promotion of the Company, and no share will be issued for any consideration other than cash.

CONTRACT

The agreement between the Company and Messrs. Utkal Textile Ltd., appointing the latter as the Managing Agents of the Company may be inspected at the Registered Office of the Company during business hours.

RIGHTS OF VOTING AT A GENERAL MEETING

On a show of hands, every holder of ordinary shares present in person shall have one vote and upon a poll every member present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every share held by him provided all call money has been paid.

No member shall be entitled to be present or to vote on any question either personally or by proxy or as a proxy for another member at any General Meeting or upon a poll or be reckoned in a quorum whilst any money due from him jointly or severally to the Company or in any other manner remains unpaid.

MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

A copy of the Memorandum of Association of the Company with the names, descriptions and addresses of the signatories and the number of shares subscribed to by them forms a part hereof. The Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company may be inspected at its Registered Office at Chowdhury Bazar, Cuttack, on any working day except Saturday between the hours of 11 A.M. and 3 P.M. while the subscription list remains open.

DIRECTORS' QUALIFICATION AND REMUNERATION

Unless otherwise determined by a General Meeting, the number of Directors shall not be less than three nor more than twelve

The qualification of a Director shall be the holding, either in his own name, or jointly with any person, of shares of the face value of Rs. 5,000 in the capital of the Company.

Unless otherwise determined by the Company in General Meeting a Director shall receive by way of remuneration a sum not exceeding Rs. 100/- for each meeting of the Board attended by him as may be decided by the Directors from time to time. The Directors will also receive a commission not exceeding three per cent of the net profits of the Company in every year out of the profits of that year. Such additional remuneration out of the net profits will, however, be payable to the Directors only if there is a surplus left after the declaration of dividend to shareholders.

If a Director is not a resident of the place where meetings of the Directors are held, he will be entitled to his travelling expenses as well as other charges of and incidental to his stay at the said place for attending such meetings.

INTEREST OF DIRECTORS

Dr. N. N. Law, Mr. P. S. Roy and Dr. N. Dutt are Directors of Messrs. Utkal Textiles Ltd., the Managing Agents, and are interested accordingly.

MANAGING AGENTS

The Articles of Association provide for the appointment of Messrs. Utkal Textiles Ltd., as Managing Agents of the Company from the date of incorporation of the Company for a period of twenty years on the following remuneration:—

(i) An office allowance of Rs. 1,500/- per mensem to be increased to Rs. 2,500/- per mensem, when the capital of the Company exceeds Rs. 20 lakhs.

(The Managing Agents have, however, informed Directors that they will not charge to the Company this allowance till the factory or factories start work).

(ii) A commission of 10 per cent on the net annual profits of the Company after a declaration of a dividend to the Ordinary shareholders.

APPLICATION FOR SHARES

Application for shares should be made on the prescribed form or copies thereof together with the amount payable on application either in cash or by cheque, in the latter case together with the requisite commission or bank charges, if any. The Banks mentioned above and all their branches have been authorised to accept applications and the share money on the Company's behalf and grant receipts therefor. The shares will be issued subject to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company.

Where no allotment is made, the deposit will be returned in full and where the number allotted is less than the number applied for, the balance will be applied towards the allotment money, and the surplus, if any, will be returned.

Copies of the Prospectus and Application Forms may be obtained at the Registered Office of the Company or from the Offices of the above mentioned Banks.

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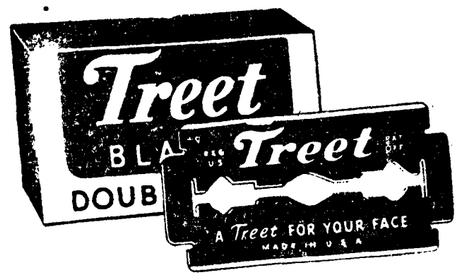

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Hutton's Unbeaten Test Century Overseas

Lindwall Takes Five Wickets For 46 Runs On Opening Day Of Final Test

SYDNEY, Feb. 28 (Reuter): There was a sensational opening to the fifth and last Test match between England and Australia which began here this morning, when batting first after winning the toss the M.C.C. side lost Washbrook, one of their opening pair, when only the first run had been registered.

Thereafter helped by Edrich's stolid defence, Hutton succeeded in extricating his side from a difficult position to register 151 before Edrich left. Fishlock who took Edrich's place did not stay long but it was after he left that England faced another collapse three wickets falling for addition of ten runs only. Hutton remained unbeaten with 122 at close of play with total 237 for six wickets. Lindwall who had clean bowled Washbrook with the second ball of the match was again responsible for England's collapse, claiming in all five wickets including the last three of the day.

DETAILS OF PLAY

Lindwall developed left thigh trouble and was relieved by Miller, when he had bowled five overs, conceding thirteen runs and taking one wicket. Miller, looking "as menacing" as Lindwall, did not hesitate to give the batsmen way.

Toshack, leg-theory specialist, relieved Miller after two overs when an hour's play had yielded 36 runs. Then Edrich took seven singles in an over and then drove Tribe for three. Hutton following with a magnificent cut to the boundary off the next ball.

The second wicket pair were slowly and surely extricating their side from a difficult position. Toshack bowled two maidens before Hutton pierced the strong legside cordon for a boundary and another four raised 50 in 74 minutes. Three byes came when an offspinner from Tribe turned sharply, beat the batsman and the wicket-keeper.

Miller was brought back for an over before lunch, but Hutton and Edrich remained safe, the total being 68 for one at the lunch interval.

PLAY AFTER LUNCH

Both Hutton and Edrich enjoyed luck after lunch, when 20,000 people were present. One of Hutton's stroke, passed between the slip fielders and Tribe just failed to reach a drive by Edrich which passed overhead. While Edrich maintained solid defence, Hutton kept the fieldsmen alert and cutting Tribe to the boundary completed 52 in 110 minutes.

Bradman brought on Lindwall and McCool in an effort to break the stubborn partnership.

Another faulty stroke by Edrich, when his score was 24 off Lindwall fell near Tallon's outstretched hand.

Eventually the partnership reached 100 in 130 minutes, Edrich's share being 29.

Later Edrich was more adventuresome and twice sent Toshack to the boundary. But it was only a passing phase and he returned to slow-motion effort when Bradman increased Toshack's leg-side cordon. Toshack was accurate and was difficult to force away.

Hutton played with such confidence that a section of the spectators shouted "you will never get him out. He will be back tomorrow".

Throughout the tour, Edrich has played McCool better than any other England batsman. Now he daringly drove two consecutive balls from him to the boundary. The first touched McCool's hand as it whizzed past. These strokes gave Edrich his 50 in 150 minutes. The stand ended when Edrich, trying to cut a rising ball, was easily caught at the wicket. The partnership of 150 in 175 minutes, was England's best stand in the present series, the previous highest being 147 for the corresponding wicket between Edrich and Washbrook in the third Test.

Edrich hit seven fours and the partnership was progressing so well that the third 50 occupied only 45 minutes.

Fishlock, the left-hander, making his first Test appearance against Australia, survived a difficult period before tea when the total was 162 for two.

HUTTON'S CENTURY

Fishlock opened confidently after tea and hooked Tribe to the boundary. In the next over Miller made a determined leg appeal against Fishlock but it was rejected, the ball appearing to strike the batsman high on the arm.

Hutton with a cover boundary and a single off Tribe completed his first Test century outside England after batting for 215 minutes. Two runs later Fishlock played forward and was beaten by an off break off McCool.

McCool in spite by dismissing Fishlock bowled exceedingly well, tying up Hutton, who when 101 made a faulty stroke through the slips. Tallon shot out his right hand otherwise Tribe might have accepted the catch.

Compton who was warmly received opened confidently, soon making bold strokes. 200 appeared in 230 minutes. Lindwall shared the new ball at 208. Both the batsmen encountered a number of bumpers, one of which accounted for Compton at 215. A short pitched bumper reared at Comptons head.

Playing back he steered the ball off his face, but simultaneously trod on the wicket.

Playing the previous delivery, Hutton had lost hold of his bat which he flung at the ball to protect his head. They ran a single.

HUTTON'S FUTILE APPEAL

Hutton appealed unsuccessfully against light when Yardley arrived. He again appealed when Miller sent another bumper. It is possible that there would have been no appeals but for these bouncers, which must have been difficult to face in the dull if not bad, light.

Yardley had no time to accustom himself to the conditions before he

LENN HUTTON

was caught at second slip at 225. Ikin faced the last critical quarter of an hour with Hutton but in the same over without any addition a fast 'yorker' upset his middle and off stumps. Evans safely played out time. Hutton batted all day for his 122 in five hours hitting five boundaries.

Lindwall in a deadly spell with the new ball took three wickets for 15 runs in five overs. He finished the day with five for 46.

M.C.C. (FIRST INNINGS)

Hutton batting	122
Washbrook b Lindwall	0
Edrich c Tallon b Lindwall	60
Fishlock b McCool	14
Compton hit wicket b Lindwall	17
Yardley c Miller b Lindwall	2
Ikin b Lindwall	0
Evans batting	6
Extras	16
Total (for 6 wkts.)	237

Fall of wickets: One for one, two for 151, three for 188, four for 215, five for 225 and six for 225.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O	M	R	W
Lindwall	15	0	46	5
Miller	15	2	30	0
Tribe	21	1	71	0
Toshack	16	4	40	0
McCool	13	0	34	1

Byes 7, Leg Byes 8, Wide 1 (by Miller).

Selections For Today's Races

HER MAJESTY TO AVENGE IN GOVERNOR GENERAL'S CUP

Bright Chances For Jaiwant And Paramount Power

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

In the Governor General's cup today at Mahaluxmi, only five candidates are due to participate over a distance of 1-3/4 miles. The wonder filly who gave way to Bucephalus in the Derby under tragic circumstances is sure to avenge and I would not be surprised if she shatters the previous time-record for the distance.

The Maharaja of Gwalior's Jaiwant and Rentenmark are likely to decide the issue in the Tickford Park Plate.

Paramount Power in the concluding event is fancied to score under the guidance of Tommy Burn.

The following are my selections:—

1ST RACE: 1 Guljan al Iraq, 2 Mahfudh Adnan, 3 Miami.

2ND RACE: 1 Super Charge, 2 Valiant Prince, 3 Ruby.

3RD RACE: 1 Palmy Days, 2 Senapati, 3 Torrent.

4TH RACE: 1 Nafiz, 2 Morton Daisy, 3 Irish Right.

5TH RACE: 1 Her Majesty, 2 Bucephalus.

6TH RACE: 1 Moving Picture, 2 Elusive, 3 Chin-Chu-Chow.

7TH RACE: 1 Jaiwant, 2 Flying Home, 3 Kirti.

8TH RACE: 1 Ginger Lady, 2 Shamma if ab. Brilliant Sunshine, 3 D. Day.

9TH RACE: 1 Paramount Power, 2 Duke of Ramgarh, 3 Prime Minister.

DARK FLUKES: Merry Mark and Dainty Dinky.

Britain's Oldest Test Cricketer Passes Away

MORAYSHIRE, (Scotland), February 27 (Reuter): Mr. Francis Alexander Mackinnon, Britain's oldest test cricketer, died today at his Morayshire home aged 98.

Licence Fee For Poona Cyclists

POONA, Feb. 28 (A.P.I.): Poona cyclists may soon be called upon by the Poona City Municipality to pay an annual licence fee of Rupees 2. A proposal to this effect has been made by the Municipality to the Bombay Government seeking sanction to levy the fee, which is expected to augment the Municipality's income by about Rs. 1,00,000.

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The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

Poor Support To Zonal Quadrangular

By J. C. MAITRA

The Zonal Cricket Quadrangular which held its second session at the Brabourne Stadium recently failed to rouse public enthusiasm to any appreciable degree. In fact the stands were thinly populated from beginning to end. This has provoked Bori Bunder to pronounce a verdict of doom for Bombay cricket, unless the communal Pentangular is resuscitated at once. In support of his contention, Hartley has certainly advanced some cogent reasons.

He says, "The poor support accorded to the Zonal Cricket Tournament must have convinced the cricket authorities that the absence of the Pentangular is killing interest in the game, among player and spectator alike, in Bombay. The team of India's cricketers are playing in the Zonal, yet they fail to attract a thousand spectators a day to watch them. The suspension of a tournament which for something like fifty years, provided Bombay's cricket festival, is having a bad effect. Young players lack enthusiasm spectators have lost interest, Associations money and Government revenue from entertainment tax, and the Brabourne Stadium is in danger, as without income from the turnstiles the expenses to meet the upkeep of this fine ground cannot be met."

WANT OF COMMUNAL COLOUR

From the above it will be clear to the meanest understanding that the cricket-lovers of Bombay would not look at a competition, however classy it may be, unless it is coloured with communal complexion. I am not prepared to accept this statement at its face value. If I did, it would mean that I concede that Bombay has really like or no love for cricket and it only wants a display of communalism in the name of cricket. I have however no doubt in my mind that Bombay's love is far greater and more intense than mere affection git.

What then in the cause—or causes—for this poor support? I attribute it mainly to the present inflammable political situation in the country. Owing to the high tension existing between the two chief communities and the uncertainty of the future in every walk of like, the fans have no mind for a game which demands several hours of attendance for days together.

AN AMUSING SUGGESTION

Another reason which had also a large bearing on the absence of enthusiam was the student community which provides the major number of spectators, are now busy with their examinations. It would be foolish to expect them to attend long-drawn-out matches forsaking their studies. I have stated repeatedly in these columns that if the sponsors of the Zonal really want to make the tournament a success they must stage it when the time for such a festival is most suitable—and that is in November or December.

I am rather amused to hear from "the Old Woman" of B. B. that as the committee running it (the Pentangular) owe no allegiance to the Board of Control the permission of that body (to stage it) is not necessary." What about the players? Don't they also owe any allegiance to the parent body? Suppose the Board of Control bans the Pentangular and they take part in it in defiance of the ban, what would be their future? I am sure the players are more sensible than dig their own grave in the cricket world.

Million And Half For Race Horse

ARCADIA, CALIFORNIA, Feb. 28 (Reuter): Louis D. Mayer's horse sold by auction at Santa Anita Park here last night realised more than a million and a half dollars—1,553,500 dollars (Rs. 46,60,500). STEPFATER a leading three-year-old and one of the fancied candidates for next week's Santa Anita Derby, brought the top price of £50,000. BUSHER, daughter of WAR ADMIRAL and TOP MONEY, the wining filly of ALL TIME and HONEYMOON, another leading filly, each fetched £33,750, while BE FAITHFUL realised £25,000.

Bombay Life And Empire Of India Disputes For Adjudication

BOMBAY, Feb. 27, (A. P. I.): The Government of Bombay has referred the disputes between the Empire of India Life Assurance Company, Limited, Bombay and its employees and the Bombay Life Assurance Company, Limited, Bombay and its employees for adjudication says a press note. Sir Harsidhbhai V. Divatia, President of the Industrial Court, Bombay, is to adjudicate.

YOUTH PARLIAMENT: A Debate will be held today (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m. in the Blavatsky Lodge.

Subject: Prime Minister Atlee's statement on Indian Independence has set the seal against the unity of the Indian People as a nation.

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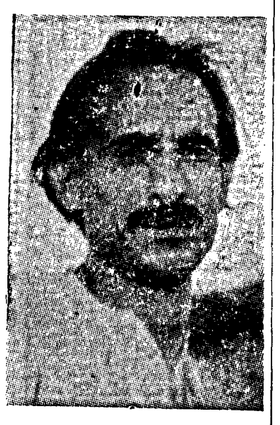
Kripalani Deplores Political Immorality

CONDEMNS BUREAUCRATIC TACTICS OF MANY CONGRESSMEN

"We Must Learn To Subordinate To Larger Interests" To Achieve Swaraj

NEW DELHI, Feb 27, (A.P.I.): Following are the extracts of the authorised English version of the concluding address of Acharya J. B. Kripalani at the end of the three day session of the Conference of Presidents and Secretaries of the Provincial Congress Committee which met in Allahabad from February 22 to 24.



ACHARYA KRIPALANI

"What shall I tell you? I can only wish you God-speed. You have completed the discussions for which you had assembled here. Your long record of national service assures me that you will succeed in accomplishing the task which you have set before yourselves. Among you are those who in 1920 gave up their studies or their careers, courted imprisonment and suffered lathi blows. I hope the ideals of simplicity and sacrifice which inspired us then will continue to sustain us. At that time we did not even dream of material rewards for our sacrifices. But to-day as the prospect of such rewards has gained actuality we are exposed to dangerous temptation.

"Not all of us have been able to resist them. We are becoming soft and easy loving. We hunt for offices and ministerial appointments and are jealous of those who secure them. When in office we ape the ways of our British predecessors whom we were so fond of condemning. Our organisation has been built on voluntary sacrifice and self restraint and if we give up these ideals so easily and so soon we shall fail to bring real swaraj to our people.

NO FREEDOM WITH RESTRAINED

In fact there can be no real freedom without self restraint. If freedom meant the right of every one to do as he pleased then we have more of such freedom in India than is found anywhere else in the world.

"We can spit anywhere and commit nuisance wherever we like. Our housewives regularly throw the daily rubbish on the street. We are free to keep our children illiterate and to infect our neighbours with whatever diseases we breed in our homes. We have more freedom to pollute the Ganges which we worship than the Englishman has to pollute the Thames which he does not pretend to worship.

"To take another example, our young students, with little experience of life, presume to dictate to us, as no English student would have dared to dictate to Churchill how to prosecute the war against Germany.

SUBORDINATION TO LARGER INTEREST.

"We cannot win swaraj until we have learnt to subordinate the smaller to the larger interest. Let me cite an example from my recent experience in Bihar. We were late in arriving at a railway junction. I was worried, but the local Congress Secretary assured me that it did not matter as he had kept the train waiting for me. Was it a complaint or an insult to me? The trains in Bihar seldom run to time, but the argument that we Congressmen can detain them at will and that our convenience must override the convenience of hundreds of other passengers betrays the mentality of the bureaucrats of the old regime.

"If Congressmen begin to behave as if they were the rulers of the people and not their servants, then it is legitimate to say that what we have to-day are Congress governments and not the People's governments. Such a rule would be no better than the patterns of Pathan, Moghul, Rajput, Maratha or Sikh rule which India had before in her history. Delhi has been the seat as well as the grave of empires only.

VIOLENCE WILL BE DISASTROUS.

I have talked of the twin danger of succumbing to material temptations and of subordinating the larger national interest to the narrow interest of the party, caste or clique. Our third great danger and perhaps the greatest of all dangers is violence. I have no desire to enter into a controversy on the merits or demerits of violence versus non-violence. All I wish to stress at the moment is that circumstanced as we are to-day violence will be disastrous for us. If we resort to violence against the British we shall sooner or later, and sooner rather than later, direct it against one another.

"We lack the necessary self-discipline and the necessary conventions to limit its use, as for example the British have learnt. There are no less rivalries and animosities between the different political parties in Great Britain than there are amongst us. Nevertheless no party thinks of resorting to violence to terrorise the other. Not only that. It would not have occurred to Churchill, however ruthless and unscrupulous he might be in his dealings with Germans or with Indians to use his governmental machinery to tamper with the ballot boxes in England even when he knew that the result of the poll would be his downfall."

POLITICAL MORALITY.

"We have so many divisions and unreasoning animosities in our political and religious life and so little of self-discipline and restraint that if we once take to violence to assert our will we shall never know when or where to stop. In fact so bitter and vile tend to become our mutual peasousies and rivalries that we often forget who are our real enemies. Not only the communalists, but even some Congressmen sometimes talk and behave as if their greatest enemies are those whom they regard as their political rivals.

"So low is our political morality that the episode of Prithviraj and Jaichand has never become obsolete, we find it easier to co-operate with the foreigner than with our own countrymen. If in our present state we take recourse to violence, we are in danger of annihilating ourselves. We shall only succeed in discrediting democracy and pave the way for a dictatorship."

Do not think that I am free from the failings against which I have warned you. I am one of you and no better and, let me hope, no worse than most of you. We are equally prone to failing and equally capable of rising above them, if we hold steadfast to the standards which Mahatma Gandhi has kept before us. Having been a professor for many years I have never outgrown the habit of lecturing when I can. Moreover, having elected me as your President, you have left me no other choice.

LABOUR GOVT.'S METHOD NOT CORRECT

Conservative Opposition To Move Amendment In India Debate

LONDON, Feb. 28, (Reuter): The Conservative Opposition will move an amendment to the Government's motion asking the House of Commons to accept and approve the India policy of the Government, in the India debate on Wednesday and Thursday next week, it is learned.

The broad effect of the amendment will be that the Conservatives have always supported and many Conservatives have worked for self-government for India, but they consider the method of fulfilling British obligations now proposed by the British Government is not the correct one. The Opposition motion will criticise the introduction of a definite date—June, 1948—and will declare that it is by no means certain that there will be any proper solution to the problem of minorities to whom Britain has given her word.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, President of the Board of Trade Sir Stafford Cripps, and the Defence Minister Mr. A. V. Alexander will speak for Government, Mr. Winston Churchill will follow the Government's opening speaker and is expected to take a forthright and critical line. Sir John Anderson, former Governor of Bengal and Mr. Richard A. Butler will also speak for the Conservatives.

The amendment, according to present arrangments, will be pressed to a division, but will not be ranked by the Conservatives as amounting to a vote of censure.

Cargo Vessel On Fire

CALCUTTA, Feb. 28, (API): In the early hours of this morning, a fire broke out on board the "High Park", a cargo vessel of 7,000 tons, berthed at King George's dock. The vessel which arrived in port about ten days ago, was loading general merchandise including shellac and jute and was due to sail for the United Kingdom in about two days.

Fire engines and dock pumps worked at full pressure and brought the fire under control.

"High Park" was constructed in Quebec, Canada, four years ago.

Palme Dutt Attacks U.S. Plans For New War

LONDON, Feb. 28, (A.P.A.): Rajani Palme Dutt, condemned the United States last night as a "stronghold of imperialism in which the forces of reaction are speeding their plans for a new world war."

"Those who are planning it are losing no time," he said in an address before the Conference of British Empire Communist Parties, now in the second day of a five-day Congress.

Twenty-seven delegates from ten Empire countries are attending. The Convention is being held in Beaver Hall, a huge building in the back of "the City."

During the morning session, two Communist delegates from Palestine, one Jewish, the other Arab, joined forces in an attack on Zionism in Palestine and what they called British and American imperialism in the Middle East.

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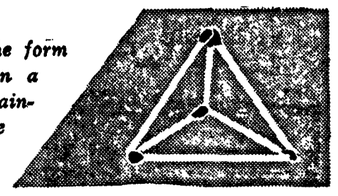

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4. Use only freshly boiled water—never water that has been previously boiled, under-boiled or over-boiled. Water is boiling when it is bubbling and not before.
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Peasants (oil) by Magda Nachman: The Exhibition at Chetana will be closed tomorrow

IMPRESS OF INDIVIDUALITY

Highlight Of Magda Nachman's Paintings

To the art-world of Bombay Mrs. Magda Nachman needs no introduction. It is a delight to visit the exhibition of her paintings held at Chetana and to see ample material of interest presented by her in it. Her style of painting shows the impress of the individuality of an artist who is gifted with talent and creative abilities.

Soundness of drawing, clarity of expression and accuracy of figure-work are among the striking notes of Mrs. Nachman's art. She approaches her subject with sympathy and aims at creating an impression which would be exact and expressive. Mrs. Nachman seems to be at her best in portraiture and figure-work.

Oil paintings, water-colours and pastels which are on view in the exhibition present some fine examples of Mrs. Nachman's art "Motherhood" (10) is remarkable for its expression and tenderness of feelings. "Chinese Girl," (73) is equally delightful. Portraiture is well illustrated by Nos. 4 and 1. "Tibetan Mask" (40), "The Masque" (13), "Red Mibiscus" (30), "Red Leaves" (37), "Girl in Red Shaw," (85) and "Back Bay at Sunset" (43) are among the other exhibits which are pleasing to the eye.

D. G. V.

DEGREE COURSE IN ARCHITECTURE

Calcutta Varsity Approves Of Scheme

The scheme and syllabus for the study of Indian architecture and regional planning, jointly drafted by Mr. Sris Chandra Chatterjee and Major F. T. Marshall, Planning Architect and adopted by the Senate of the University of Calcutta, have been approved by the Government of Bengal.

Mr. P. N. Banerjee, the Vice-Chancellor and the Syndicate have been arranging to start a separate University College of Architecture and Planning in Calcutta which when established, will be the first of its kind in India with up-to-date equipment and a very high standard of education. An undergraduate with five years' training will obtain a degree for Bachelor of Architecture and after two more years' study for Master of Architecture or Master of Planning.

Art-In-Industries Exhibition

The prize winning entries of the 1946 Art-in-Industry Exhibition are on view in Bombay at the Sir J. J. School of Art (Gymnasium), from 10-30 a.m. to 7-30 p.m. The Exhibition will be open until March 7.

EXHIBITION SALE OF HOME ARTS AND INDUSTRIES

An Exhibition-Sale of varieties of household and presentation articles of home industries has been arranged by the Exhibition Society from 3rd to 8th March, 1947, at the Sir Cowasjee Jehangir Hall, opp Museum, Fort, Bombay.

Those who wish to have the Stalls at this Exhibition will please apply to the Honorary Secretary, The Exhibition Society, Central Bank Building (Lift No. 4), Fort, Bombay. Entrance to the Exhibition Sale is free.

VARTAK'S TOUR.

BOMBAY, Feb. 27, (A. P. I.): The Minister for Local Self-Government to the Government of Bombay, Mr. G. D. Vartak, will leave for Pimple and Saswad (via Poona) today night and return to Bombay on Monday morning

CITY AND SUBURBS

TODAY

Hindu: Phalgun Shud 9, 2003.
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Lowtide: 12-06.

Today's Engagements

ST. MARY'S ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL: Annual Prize Distribution today, at 5 p.m. in the School Garden Rt. Rev. Dr. V. Gracias, Auxiliary Bishop of Bombay, will preside and give away prizes.

ZARTHOSTI UNNATI DWARA: Annual Athletic Sports today (Saturday), at the W. I. F. A. grounds at the Cooperage, at 2-30 p.m.

HARIJAN SEVAK SANGH: Tuition classes at Orient High School, Dadar, in English, Sanskrit and Mathematics for Harijan Students on Sunday mornings.

MAY AND BAKER RECREATION CLUB: Vocal Music by Prof. Chidanand D. Nagarkar, on Sunday, (tomarrow), from 9 a.m., onwards, at "Forbes Gujarathi Sabha Hall", 365, Vittalbhai Patel Road, near Congress House.

THE FRIENDS' ASSOCIATION: Lecture by D. N. Wandrekar (Parliamentary Secretary), on Wards' Dadar Bhagini Samaj, today, at 6 p.m.

PUBLIC RECEPTION AT GHATKOPER: Public reception to Sheth Vadilal Chatrabhuj, Gandhi, Sheth Monji Anudas Vora and Sheth Dwarkadas Haridas Vakharia, J. P., tomorrow (Sunday) at 9-30 a.m. (S. T.), at Sheth Dhanji Devshi Rasthiyashala Hal., Ghatkoper.

MAZDAZNAN ANNIVERSARY FUNCTION: Today, at 5-30 p.m., at Alexandra Girls' School Hall, Waudby Road.

NEW PROVINCIAL SCOUT: Viscount Wavell, the Chief Scout for India, has appointed Sir Homi Mehta as the Provincial Scout Commissioner for Bombay Province in place of the late Sir Byramji Jeejeebhoy.

KERALA UNIFICATION COMMITTEE: The Secretary of Kerala Unification Committee writes:—Election of delegates to the forthcoming Kerala Unification Convention will be held on Sunday (tomorrow) at 5 p.m. as follows.—

1. Dadar, Matunga and Sion: Poddar College.
2. Byculla, Lalbaug and Parel: Ravan Nivas, Lalbaugn.
3. Mahim and Sivaji Park: Indra Nivas, Mahim.

All Malayalees are entitled to vote.

NATIONS' LEAGUE OF PEN-FRIENDS: The International Headquarters of the Nations' League of Pen-friends and Young Folks' Brotherhood shall be shifted on and from today, from Bombay to New Delhi and shall be situated at Raja Nivas, Mode Basti, New Delhi.

SHANKAR MUTT, MATUNGA: Discourse on 'Shiva Mahima" today at 8 p.m.

HINDUSTANI CLASSES FOR WOMEN: At Municipal Gujarati School opposite Sicka Nagar on every Saturday at 5-30 p.m. and Sunday 8-30 a.m. Last date for admission is 1st and 2nd March.

BOMBAY TENANTS ASSOCIATION: Under the auspices of the Bombay Tenants Association a meeting of the representatives of the various Association in Bombay City and Suburbs will be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow (Sunday) in the Besant Hall, Blavastsky Lodge French Bridge, Chaupatty to consider the various sections in the proposed Rent Control Act affecting the rights of Tenants and to propose amendments thereto.

INTER SCHOOL TOURNAMENTS OF NATIONAL GAMES: Inauguration Ceremony tomorrow (Sunday) at 8.00 a.m. at "Nare Park" Parel, Bombay. Major Gen. Jaggannathrao Bhonsle of I.N.A. has kindly consented to inaugurate the tournaments.

BOMBAY ALL MALAYALEE CONFERENCE: "Public meeting at Forbes Hall Vithalbhai Patel Road, at 8.30 p.m. today to discuss the unification problem."

RAMAKRISHNA BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY: The 112th Birthday Anniversary of Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa will be celebrated today at a public meeting to be held at 6 p.m. at the Sir Cowasjee Jahangir Hall, Fort, Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, presiding. Speeches will be delivered by Mrs. Mitnan J. Lam, Prof. Dr. H. L. De, Dr. Bool Chand, Swamy Sambuddhananda and others. There will be a musical entertainment by Mrs. Latika S. Nayampalli and Mrs. Frenny Cama and others. The president will distribute prizes and the function will come to a close with a song by Miss Latika S. Nayampalli.

Pakwasa Appointed Adult Education Committee Chief

BOMBAY, Feb. 27, (A. P. I.): The Government of Bombay has appointed Mr. M. M. Pakwasa, at present one of the Vice-Presidents, as the President of the Bombay City Adult Education Committee, for the term ending July 17, 1948, vice Mr. B. G. Kher resigned.

Mr. R. V. Parulekar, at present a co-opted member, has been appointed as an additional member of the committee and Mr. S. Kulsum Sayani and Mr. R. V. Parulekar will be Vice-Presidents in addition to Diwan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri.

TODAY ON RADIO

SATURDAY, March 1.
BOMBAY—1.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—7-30 a.m. Song of Week (by D'Amel) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Azim Khan (Sitar) 8-45 Namdeo Bhoite (Bhajan) 9-0 Habib Khan (Gudiyan) (Asawari, Thumri Bhairavin).

12-0 p.m. Eye Marathichiye Nagari 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Madhur Geeten 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 You Asked for It 4-20 Kastur Patil (Bhimpalas) 4-30 Chandrabai Jambolikar (Barwa) 4-50 Listeners' letters (H) 5-0 Arvind Parikh (Sitar) 5-15 Bahuroopi (G) 5-45 Topic of Day 5-55 Locals 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 "Anmol Ghadi" 6-30 Dilipkumar Dholakia (Gujarati Geet) 6-45 Ahmed Dilawar Ghazal (Pani), Ghazal (Shakil) 7-0 Kastur Patil (Navgeet) 7-15 Arvind Parikh (Sitar) 7-30 Chandrabai Jambolikar (Kedar) 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Ek Tarakhela: Talk by S. S. Joglekar (M) 8-45 Idea of evolution: Bergeonian evolution: (Talk by Dr. G. N. Lavande) 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News 9-40 Programme Parade 9-45 "Qaid-I-Hayat" (Play by Saifuddin Saif) (H) 10-15 Habib Khan (Behag, dadra.)

Weather News

FORECAST TILL SUNDAY MORNING:—Dry weather.

OUTLOOK FOR FURTHER 2 DAYS:—Isolated showers may occur in extreme south of the Konkanpati.

DESAI TO BROADCAST.

The Hon'ble Mr. D. N. Desai, Minister for Civil Supplies will broadcast on 'The Milk Scheme' from All-India Radio Bombay, today, at 8-30 p.m. His talk will be radiated on 244 and 89.15 metres.

Mr. R. N. Karnik, B.A., LL.B. an Advocate of the Bombay High Court and a popular Social worker was given a reception by Vichar Vikas Mandal, Parel, of which he is a founder-member on the eve of his leaving for England to qualify for the Bar. Mr. Karnik was associated with the Social Welfare Centres of the Bombay Y.M.C.A. and the Bombay Municipal Welfare Department for a number of years.

CALCUTTA EDITOR FINED

Echo Of Tipperah Disturbances

CALCUTTA, Feb. 28 (API.) Mr. Sailendranath Roy, Editor of the "Nationalist," a local English daily, was sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 500 or in default to undergo six months' rigorous imprisonment and Mr. Paresh Chatterjee, printer and publisher, was fined Rs. 100 or in default to undergo one month's rigorous imprisonment under the Bengal Special Powers Press Ordinance by the Chief Presidency Magistrate for the publication on November 8 last of an article in respect of the disturbances in Tipera.

This is the first conviction of a newspaper in Bengal in connection with the communal disturbances.

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The collapse of liberty on the continent of Europe is in every case attributable to the failure of men of progressive ideals to cohere and co-operate on the only issues of immediate moment. Survival of liberty has been subordinated to the triumph of particular groups.

—Mr. Lloyd George.

The Bombay Chronicle

POOR MAN'S BUDGET

The Budget presented by Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan to the Central Assembly on Friday is the first prepared by a popular Government. Yet it discloses to an appreciable extent, particularly in its taxation proposals signs of the coming responsible Government. These signs are calculated, in the words of the Finance Member, "to reduce to the maximum extent possible the glaring disparities that exist today between the income and standards of life of the wealthy classes and the vast multitude of poverty-stricken masses and to contribute to the best of my ability to the improvement of the common man." But the Government has to tread cautiously forward in this direction in view of several uncertain political conditions now prevailing. The independence that is promised to us in the next year may put upon us unexpectedly heavy responsibilities, involving heavy expenditure both civil and military. Moreover, the constitutional structure that will then be found necessary is now uncertain. So the Finance Member has good reason to say: "Without a measure of assurance about the shape of the future constitution it is not easy to formulate any long-term economic or financial plan." At the same time some grave economic problems demand urgent solutions, and the Finance Member rightly remarks: "Without in any way prejudicing and pre-judging the constitutional issue, we must go forward tackling urgent economic problems." Such for instance is the need to check the still persisting inflationary trends by, among other ways, stimulating production.

It is unnecessary to deal with the revenue and expenditure figures for the current year at any length. With the year goes the old policy of making Central budgets, and one need not be too critical about a policy that will vex us no more. It is not at all surprising to note that the revised estimates of revenue for the year show an improvement of Rs. 29.66 crores over the budgeted figure. To under-estimate revenue has long been a practice here, partly to be on the safe side and partly to strengthen the case for additional taxation. The revised estimates of expenditure show an increase of Rs. 27 crores over the budgeted figure mainly because of the subsidising of imported food grains, which is expected to cost Rs. 20 crores, and the interim concessions sanctioned to low paid staffs, estimated to cost Rs. 2 crores.

Coming to the incoming financial year which concerns us most, we note that on the existing basis of taxation the Budget estimates the revenue at Rs. 279.42 crores and the expenditure at Rs. 327.88 crores, thus revealing a deficit of Rs 48.46 crores. But the deficit will be increased to Rs. 56.71 crores owing to the decision to abolish the salt tax, the most outstanding feature of the Budget. Another relief in taxation is the proposal to raise the minimum exemption limit for income-tax from Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 2,500. On the other hand there are some proposals designed to reduce the deficit. The most important of these is a 25 per cent tax on business profits exceeding one lakh of rupees. The revised scale at which the super tax will apply is Rs. 1.2 lakhs for unearned income and Rs. 1.5 lakhs for earned income instead of Rs. 3.5 lakhs and Rs. 5 lakhs as at present. There will also be a graduated tax on capital gains, and the rate of corporation tax is to be raised from one anna to two annas. These are direct taxes. As regards indirect taxes it is proposed to raise the export duty on tea from two annas to four annas a pound. These new taxes are expected to yield a revenue of Rs. 39.79 crores but there will still be a deficit of Rs. 16.96 crores.

There will doubtless be universal praise for the abolition of the salt tax. There was a special obligation on the Congress to have it abolished at the earliest possible date and Congress has vindicated itself by seizing the first opportunity presented to a popular Government. We have no doubt millions in the villages will bless the new Government for its boon, quite apart from the millions who directly or indirectly helped the Salt Satyagraha movement. We also expect that the exit of the salt tax will be noted all over the world as one of the appropriate tokens of the exit of British rule in India. The raising of the minimum exemption limit for the income-tax is slight but will be warmly welcomed by those who are relieved by the change. There will, of course, be some opposition to the new proposals of direct taxation, particularly to the proposal of a 25 per cent tax on business profits exceeding one lakh of rupees. The details of some of these proposals may need to be reconsidered. But where a big deficit is found inevitable, as we feel it is in the present case, it will not be easy to suggest more equitable proposals of taxation. There is at least this that can be said of the present proposals that they put necessary burdens on those who can bear them.

It may be asked if the burdens are all necessary or, in other words, if the proposed expenditure is necessary. It is not possible to discuss this subject in any detail here. The very critics of the proposals of taxation will concede that the items of expenditure are essential. Hereafter the entire army expenditure will have to be incurred by India; and the cost of training fast Indian officers in all the departments of Defence to replace British officers and of maintaining an efficient Navy and Air Force in addition to the Army is bound to be high. In respect of civil expenditure, too, the Central Government has had to undertake several schemes of development which involve heavy expenditure, current as well as capital, and which cannot be transferred wholly or substantially to the provinces. Indeed, the Central Government is looked up to by all the provincial Governments and the public in general for aid in a growing number of development schemes. And the public are almost preparing themselves for the necessary taxation, in the conviction that they will get a good return for it. It is now a case of choosing between alternative schemes of additional taxation. We support the Budget proposals as being well fitted to serve the interests of the common man and, to repeat the words of the Finance Member, as a fair attempt, "to reduce to the maximum extent possible the glaring disparities that exist today between the income and standards of life of the wealthy classes and the vast multitude of poverty-stricken masses." The Budget may well be called the poor man's Budget.

Frankly Speaking

Valuable Statement

The White House has duly reacted to Mr. Bevin's disclosure about President Truman's intervention in the Palestine negotiations on the eve of U. S. Congressional elections. The value of the White House statement, which deplores Mr. Bevin's disclosure as "most unfortunate and misleading" and which is intended to emphasise the fact that President Truman's demand was not motivated by partisan and local politics, lies in the following open and frank confession:

> "America's interest in Palestine is of long and continuing standing. It is a deep and abiding interest, shared by our people without regard to their political affiliations."

The confession being official, is helpful as a warning to the Arabs to be in absolutely no doubt as to where the United States stands regarding Palestine and what it wants about Palestine. Read in the context of pronouncements by American political leaders "without regard to their political affiliations", what the White House means is that the people of the United States have a "deep and abiding interest" in the Zionisation of Palestine without regard to the rights of its inhabitants and to the principles of democracy, justice and international morality. The Arabs will be very interested to know this.

World Reaction

The Tories regard the Empire as a patrimony bestowed upon Britain by Providence itself for the benefit of the governing class in particular and the British people in general. The depth and intensity of their emotion at the announcement by Mr. C. R. Attlee need not, therefore, cause any surprise. In fact, they do not. Nor is it anything unusual to find the Tories resorting to sanctimonious humbug about sympathy for India and her people. Only amusement can be caused by the egregious solemnity with which a Selbourne says he doesn't know how to look the Indian peasant in the face, as if the Indian peasant knows Lord Selbourne or bothers about his lordship. One of the most effective answers to Tory criticisms—it underlines their real motives too—is furnished by reactions to the British Government's announcement abroad. With the possible exception of those who have an "Empire" stake, like France and the Netherlands, there is not a country where the announcement has not been welcomed. Even apart from Asiatic countries like China, it is of particular significance that it has been greeted widely in America, even by official spokesmen. The Tories will not, of course, be silenced by this welcome, but India is gratified by the friendliness which China, America and other countries have displayed towards her.

Reprehensible

Even its best friends would hesitate to deny that the present Muslim League Cabinet in Sind does not provide a conspicuously unfavourable contrast with the behaviour and attitude of Congress Ministries elsewhere towards the Opposition. Mr. Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah and his colleagues have revelled in the spirit of what Mr. Jinnah is reported by a local contemporary to have rightly criticised as a "brute Muslim majority" and to have pulled these revellers up for indulging it. Mr. Jinnah's action was, as we said then, admirable and statesmanlike. But it is for this reason all the more reprehensible that no sooner was the League leader's back turned on Karachi than his followers should have resumed indulgence in the same spirit. This is what has been done. The Congress Party decided upon a walk-out as a protest against the manner in which the views and suggestions of the Opposition had been trampled upon to the prejudice of Minority interests. Mr. Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah is reported to have responded to this walk-out with the remark "don't come back." There are instances of Muslim League opposition walking out from Provincial assemblies. But Mr. Ghulam Husain's behaviour is unique. We cannot recall one single instance of any Provincial Premier having behaved in such a fashion. This conduct does not help to reassure the Minority for which Mr. Jinnah had pleaded only two days before.

100 LEAGUERS ARRESTED

PESHAWAR, Feb. 28 (UPI).—Latest information available here from all over the Province indicates that the League movement which till now was confined to the Peshawar and Mardan Districts only, now gradually spreading to other districts. During the last two days Hazara Dist. has been a little effected where about 100 persons, including 4 League M.L.A.'s have been arrested.

BLIZZARD BACK AGAIN IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Feb. 28 (Reuter): In Leeds, another blizzard started this morning and road and rail traffic in Yorkshire is again disrupted. The Leeds and Liverpool canal is icebound in long stretches and coal barges are completely held up. Twenty-six branch lines of the London and North-Eastern Railway were still blocked today.

London was not so cold as the North and the temperature remained just above freezing during the night and day—compared with 19 degrees of frost in Glasgow. But, at no time did the temperature rise above 34 degrees.

TAKE TO BUSINESS OR TECHNICAL EDUCATION

A Correspondent writes:—

"A brilliantly performed Gujarati Skit, garbi, magic tricks and an exquisite execution of piano and accordion solo pieces formed the programme put up by young Parsi students and ex-students of the St. Xavier's College, at the College Hall, last Saturday, under the presidentship of Sir Byram Karanjia, Kt.

Sir Byram gave valuable hints to Parsi youths to adapt themselves to the changed circumstances, and take to business as a career. If business was not possible for some of them, then they should take only scientific and technical education. He stressed the necessity of thoroughly learning Gujarati, as it was something like their mother-tongue, and also Hindi and Hindustani, any one of which would soon be the national language of India, looking to the fast changing history of India in the field of economics and politics.

Rev. F. Coyne, Principal of the St. Xavier's College, also gave some advice to Parsi students. He admired their charitable disposition and their gay spirits, but so far as education was concerned, he found that the girls took it more seriously than the boys who had the intelligence in abundance to do it quickly but not the will to set themselves to task quite seriously. Many were the brilliantly managed and performed social functions (and pleasure trips) like the one they were witnessing that very day, but few were the brilliant results in the examinations and tests that were set from time to time in the field of their studies.

Messrs. Maneck and Jemi Wadia and Homi Tavadia proved themselves to be first-rate actors, so also—were the performances given by Misses Banoo Poonawalla, Piloo Umrigar, Mani Patel and Peggy Kanga. The magic tricks given by Mr. Bhavnagree were excellent, so also were the pianist and accordianist of the top-class. The garbi was really nice and was encored."

REFUND OF SALT DUTY

NEW DELHI, Feb. 28 (A.P.A.): A press communique says: The Central Government has decided that with effect from April 1, 1947 salt manufactured in or imported into British India shall not be liable to duty. In order that dealers holding substantial stocks of duty-paid salt may not be put to serious loss on this account, they have also decided to refund the duty paid on such stocks held on April 1 and on salt in transit on that date and have, in notification No. 2-Salt-47, dated Feb. 28, promulgated rules governing the grant of such refunds.

PAVING WAY TO PROHIBITION

L. M. Patil Introduces Bill To Amend Bombay Abkari Act: European Member's "Protest"

BOMBAY, Friday.

"We are rebuilding a new India. This India of our dreams must be built on a stable foundation. Prohibition of intoxicants is one of the factors making for such stability. This is our common endeavour; and I ask that we harness all our energies to make of this stupendous task a success".

With these striking words, Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise and Reconstruction appealed for the co-operation of all parties, while moving the first reading of the Bill to amend the Bombay Abkari Act, in the Legislative Assembly today.

IN PROPHET'S FOOTSTEPS

"This experiments is not new" the Minister continued. "We are not embarking on a futile adventure, as certain people allege. We are but following in the footsteps of the prophets of old, like Jesus Christ, Lord Krishna and the Holy Prophet Mahomed. We are but fulfilling the advice of the ancient sages and law givers as well as the heart's wish of Indian patriots like Kesub Chandra Sen, Lokamanya Tilak and Mahatma Gandhi".

Earlier the House passed in quick succession two Bills, one to reenact the Bombay (Emergency Powers) Whipping Act. The Bill is intended to give legislative sanction to a Governor's enactment extending whipping to a number of offences under the Indian Penal Code. The Bill also authorises the award of whipping as a punishment to various offences under the Bombay Police Acts. These powers are considered necessary to deal with "gundas" in an "emergency."

The Bill to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act aims to give the Bombay Corporation clear powers to acquire and operate any tramway or electric supply undertaking.

TOWARDS PROHIBITION

The Bill to amend the Bombay Abkari Act is intended to pave the way for the enforcement of prohibition. It is a restrictive measure for tightening up the machinery and enhancing the punishments for various offences. It gives powers to prohibit printing, publishing or advertising anything calculated to encourage drinking; to compel persons to give information required by the prohibition authorities and for taking security from persons for abstaining from committing any offence. It makes particular provision to prevent the rendering of denatured spirits fit for human consumption. The Bill also arms the police with increased powers of search, seizure and arrest.

Not satisfied with the penalties provided in the Bill, Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin on behalf of the Muslim League Party has given notice of amendments to include whipping in the punishments that may be awarded to offenders trying to break prohibition laws.

BRITISH LEGACY IN INDIA

Mr. L. M. Patil moving the first reading of the Bill said that the drink habit had degraded Indians and brought ruin to hundreds of families.

"The British sowed the seeds of a dangerous policy when they began to encourage and induce Indians to drink and the result was the intensification of the peoples' misery," Mr. Patil said.

In 1946 the present ministry took office and in July 1946 they announced their intention to introduce complete prohibition. After comprehensive investigation, the Prohibition Plan of the Government was published in January 1947, envisaging the completion of the prohibition programme in the course of four years.

The present Bill was an improvement on the plan of the 1937 ministry and had taken into consideration all the new conditions created by the war. The Bill sought to seal the loopholes in the Excise Act. Its implementation called for stupendous efforts and Mr Patil asked the House to support the Bill.

Mr. A. H. Mirza charecterised the Bill as a good measure but expressed disappointment that it had not benefited by the experience of the previous ministry. He advocated centralisation of the prohibition department whose staff should be well-trained and well-paid.

Mr. C. P. Bramble said he would like to register a form of protest against the Bill, though if it became law he would abide by it (Cheers). History had shown that every effort to enforce a religious idea by force had failed.

Mr. F. B. Dabhi (Kaira) supporting the Bill said that the Government should take adequate measures for preventing smuggling from the small States bordering the Province.

Mr. A. H. Shamsuddin, while supporting the principle behind the Bill regretted that the Minister had kept the House completely in the dark regarding the details of Government's prohibition programme. He demanded deterrant punishment to the addicts for the success of the scheme.

Mr. S. L. Karandikar, supporting the Bill struck a different note by arguing that the only effective way of stopping illicit manufacture of liquor was to make liquor so cheap that it would not be economically possible to carry on its manufacture.

Mr. A. A. Kittur supporting the Bill said that before the enforcement of prohibition, the Government should provide amenities and recreational facilities to the villagers which would wean them away from the drink habit. He suggested that Government should take control of the liquor shops.

OPPOSITION LEADER'S SUPPORT

Mr. A. A. Khan, Leader of the Opposition, supported the Bill, though halting and inadequate it was, considering the noble principle behind it. He said that if Whipping Act could be applied to the goonda, he saw no reason why the same punishment should not be given to the drunkards who were as much anti-social elements as the other.

Incidentally he remarked that they were not given an opportunity by the Treasury benches to offer their constructive co-operation in the day-to-day administration of the Province. If the Ministry desired their constructive criticism the proper course would be to consult them on major administrative issues.

Mr. B. G. Kher: Join our Party (Laughter)

Mr. Khan: Leave alone higher politics and the future constitution of the country our objectives are identical parties is the same, namely the welfare of the people of the Province.

Mr. B. G. Kher: If our objectives are identical, you can join our party. I cannot join your Party, because it is open to one community only (Laughter).

The debate on the Bill had not concluded when the House adjourned for tomorrow.

BRITISH TROOPS' PLAN TO QUIT INDIA

Object Behind Mountbatten Bringing Lord Ismay With Him

LONDON, Feb. 28 (IPA).—Lord Louis Mountbatten's selection of Gen. Lord Ismay on his staff is obviously linked up with more than preparations connected with the return of British troos from India.

Lord Ismay as expert on military affairs acted as Additional Secretary to Cabinet and Chief of Staff to Mr. Churchill when he was Defence Minister, and is reckoned an expert on Indian military problems.

Speculation as to how Lord Ismay in consultation with Sir Claude Auchinleck and the Interim Government will evolve a scheme of evacuation of British troops is rampant in Whitehall. It is rumoured that the Commander-in-Chief may select a transition staff for a period after withdrawal. This would enable the Indian Army to be brought to the standard for garrisoning the frontiers and taking over internal duties of maintaining order.

Britain expects to make a treaty with Independent India guaranteeing assistance for defence emergency.

Withdrawals of British battalions in the Indian Army Brigades has already been carried out. These are now formed into British Independent Brigade groups under a General Officer Commanding and British officers are holding Commissions in Indian Army under termination of contract and have four courses open to them, namely, transfer to British Army, retirement, seeking employment under Independent Indian Government and joining Dominion forces. If by the end of June, 1948, Britain has to hand over power, to which Government or Government's Indian Army should be handed over and in what proportion, is of paramount importance a tricky problem. Lord Ismay's expert knowledge, it is believed, will help Lord Mountbatten in this task.

THREE ALTERNATIVES

Stating Viscount Mountbatten will seek to secure a formal Anglo-Indian alliance, the "Liverpool Post" and "Scotsman" declare that Britain will put forward following three suggestions in negotiations: (1) India to undertake to organise special All-India Frontier Force for which it is hoped the Sikhs, Punjabis and Mahrattas will be recruited and which might be open to foreign volunteers, (2) Formation of a strong Burmese Army with British officers and N.C.O.'s to guard the Burma Road and to be available for help to India in an emergency maintenance of adequate supply route to Karachi for defence of North-West Passes.

BRITAIN WILL SAVE 50,000 MEN

LEEDS, Feb. 28 (Reuter).—Preparations connected with the return of British troops from India will begin during the summer, says the military correspondent of the "Yorkshire Post" today. In 16 months time power will be transferred to Indian hands.

The correspondent adds that on the basis of the British peace-time strength in India, the saving in men would be about 50,000.

NEWS IN BRIEF

CALCUTTA, Feb. 28 (A.P.I.): Mr. K. P. S. Menon, India's Ambassador to China, arrived in Calcutta this afternoon. He will leave for China tomorrow morning.

ATHENS, Feb. 28 (Reuter): With cries of acclamation and without formal vote, the Greek National Assembly unanimously called for the incorporation of Cyprus in Greece in a debate which ended early today.

RANGOON, Feb. 28 (Reuter): Justice U Kyaw Myint may lead the 15-member Burmese delegation to the Inter-Asian Relations Conference at New Delhi in case U Aung San is unable to attend the conference owing to pressure of work, it is reliably learned today.

SINGAPORE, Feb. 28 (A.P.A.): The first British occupation troops to leave Japan—1,849 British and Indian troops—arrived here this morning aboard the "Rajula."

Attitudes And Latitudes

By BIRBAL

WHAT NEXT?

The Congress Socialist Party is meeting in Cawnpore this week after a long lapse of nearly nine years. It was time it met both in order to clarify its own mind and that of the public. Today people are liable to be confused on the aims and objects of this very popular organisation.

The C. S. P. is the youngest party barring such very much lesser influential bodies as the Forward Bloc. The leadership of the C. S. P. is also refreshingly young. That in such a short period this little group should have gained so much in popularity and influence is a tribute to the socialist tendencies of the Indian public

The questions before the C.S.P. at this conference will be some of the most vital. The Rightist Congress has now more or less decided on a certain path. They are convinced of British intentions and they are pledged to constitutional methods for achieving power. The question of arbitration between themselves and the Muslim League has more or less been tacitly entrusted to the British. Their Provincial Ministries feel fairly secure in their offices and are busy with peaceful legislation or severe maintenance of law and order.

The British have announced their date line of at least official withdrawal—actually, it will probably take very much longer. The C.S.P. leadership cannot any longer say "wait and see." The stage is quite clear. The Congress Socialist Party must at this convention come to maturity by taking bold decisions and making them completely clear to the public. Obviously even after India is free C.S.P. will be the most active party politically. The struggle for a Socialist state can really start only after we are free. But the C.S.P. will have to be far better organised to conduct that struggle. The C.S.P. will also have to get into the habit of taking the initiative and working as a real party. In fact it will have to replace the Congress. Birbal only hopes it will make a better Congress. Efficiency and imagination have been sadly missing from all our political organisations. How the improvement will be effected Birbal cannot see—but hopes fervently that the miracle will take place.

THE D-DAY

Mr. Clement Attlee's latest statement announcing June 1948 as the D month for the withdrawal of the British power in India has taken away the breath of most of us. Birbal has on several occasions—May 16th '46 being one of them—speculated on what will happen when freedom comes. But it never came. Now we have a definite date line—only a month wide. At the latest after the 30th of June we will be free. What will be the major changes apart from something shapping or mending inside us?

Firstly the Viceroy will be gone. Who will occupy his lodge is difficult to say. May be it will be equally divided up between the Congress, and the League with a room or two to let to the other minorities.

Secondly the unemployment figure will shoot up. The topmost politicians have already got their jobs but the lesser ones will find it difficult to secure an honourable occupation and succeed with it. It will probably be necessary to have a relief organisation on the basis of the I.N.A.—ex-Congress Association or something. Then they will be busy looking after each other.

Thirdly we hope, the Commander-in-Chief will also retire but Birbal does not feel very confident on that account. Most probably he will be requested or he will request that he should carry on for a little longer till our 2nd lieutenants are trained enough to occupy his position. That will mean that the I.N.A. prisoners, poor chaps, will have to continue in detention. Everyone knows they are in only because of the Commander-in-Chief's conviction that cruelty in war must be punished provided the culprit was on the wrong side.

Fourthly we pray that the cinema houses showing British and American films will stop playing their favourite tune—God Save the King.

Fifthly the King will cease to be Emperor of India and our coins will have to be re-designed—whose head they will then bear and what tail cannot yet be foretold.

Sixthly we trust that the Union Jack will cease to fly throughout the land. Today it is pathetically prominent despite Congress ministries and all. In fact the Congress flag is now completely shelved and used only unofficially on certain ceremonial occasions once or twice a year.

Lastly we will we hope allow democracy free and full play. Today we dare not criticize lest the British benefit and as Acharya Kripalani said in Bihar there is no doubt that the present Ministers are not people's Governments.

WHICH FLAG?

But freedom will come when it will. In the meantime Indian Ambassadors are going abroad. Asaf Ali has already reached his headquarters. BIRBAL is worried as to which flag he is using. It will look ludicrous if the Union Jack continues to fly. Has the External Affairs department thought of this very important question?

GOD OR NO GOD

How far we are from real freedom, however, is shown from the Bill passed in the Sind Assembly banning atheists from becoming a professor of the Sind University or a member of the teaching staff maintained by the University. That belief in God and practice of religion should be thus enforced is a major encroachment upon the freedom of the individual. Whether God is there or not is not the question—the guess of one may be as good as another's. All religions are really purely empirical and the existence of God continues to be dependent on personal faith. On what ground then can faith in God be enforced and that by a Government?

WHY THIS HOARDING?

The Government has released its control on newsprint quotas but continues war time rigours on white-printing for publications of books. The plea is that paper imports are not sufficient. And yet Birbal learns on reliable authority that the Government of India is holding in stock over 60,000 tons of American white printing paper. This paper was bought at the cheap rate of 7/ or 8/ annas per pound sometime during the early years of war. Since then it is lying in the godowns. Not only is the Government not releasing this paper but it is trying to find ways and means to sell it at profit. Birbal believes that whenever this paper has been offered in a tight situation the price quoted has been so preposterously high that no one has dared to accept it. If this is not profiteering what is? And it is the Government which is guilty this time.

THE ELUSIVE SUB-MARINE

Here is a typical but amusing story of Government bungling. As our readers must be knowing sometime back the R. I. N. held their very much publicised manoeuvres. All sorts of wonderful feats were performed which did credit to our little fleet of tubs. Now all the years the R.I.N. has been manoeuvring and practising the sinking of submarines but without an actual target. This year it was decided to borrow an actual submarine, from the Royal Navy. All arrangements were made and the submarine was to join in the manoeuvres at Cochin. The D hour arrived but the submarine did not come. So the R. I. N. fleet started out without it. When the fleet was nearer Bombay the submarine reached Cochin and docked in. When the R. I. N. ships reached back at Cochin they asked the target to come out for trial but its agreed time had expired and the submarine returned without affording the R. I. N. any exercises or practice. The Indian revenues nevertheless had to pay and pay well for having the services of the submarine.

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TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

"I hope the country will not expect too much from us at Moscow. We have terrific difficulties to face."

—Mr. Ernest Bevin.

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It is reported from New Delhi that the Chamber of Princes will declare its adherence to earlier declarations (in support of the Cabinet's May 16 Plan) but with pointed emphasis on H.M.G.'s reservations touching on the non-fully representative character of the Constituent Assembly.

We know what their Highnesses and their Ministers mean. And we expected it.

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Asked, apropos of the decision to quit India and evacuate Egypt, about an alternative military base, Mr. Attlee replied in the Commons: "No. A permanent basis of our relations with India and Egypt has yet to be settled."

Good heavens! Is India to have the same trouble as Egypt?

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When as a protest against the conduct and attitude of the Sind Government towards its views on the University Bill, the Congress Party in the Sind Assembly staged a walk out, the Premier, Mr. Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah bade it farewell with the remark: "Don't come back."

Suppose, a Kher, Pant, Sinha or Shukla had behaved in this fashion?

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Mr. A. A. Khan, the leader of the Muslim League opposition complained in the Bombay Assembly that the Home Member was not giving consideration to the view point of the Opposition. "All he says," said Mr. Khan, "is that we should be reasonable."

Ought the Home Member to follow the lead of Mr. Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah, winding up with "Don't come back"?

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The President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar, has cautioned Hindus to be alert in respect of Congress activities and asked them to warn that body, etc., etc.

Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar has duly vindicated himself.

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Replying in the Bombay Assembly to a question on the subject, the Home Minister, Mr. Morarji Desai described cock-fights in certain districts as a rural pastime.

We, on the other hand, hold that cock-fights are more important than that. In fact, they are the life essence of international and national High Politics.

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Deploring Mr. Bevin's recent statement, a White House press note stresses that "America's interest in Palestine is of long and continuing standing. It is a deep and abiding interest...."

The Arabs of Palestine and the Arab World are, however, assured that if America has deep and abiding interest in the Zionisation of Palestine, it is also prepared to pay a generous price, a price beyond the dreams of Arab and democratic avarice, namely, a couple of Million Dollars!

Mr. Bevin announces reassuringly that Anglo-American relations are most cordial and that "the British Government will not allow any wedge to be driven between the two countries."

We know that such would be the negative fate of "differences" over Palestine.

NONSTOP HONOLULU-NEW. YORK FLIGHT

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (UPA): Striking into an "emergency" landing at La Guardia Field, the Army's twin Mustang fighter plane "Betty Jo" today completed the first nonstop flight from Honolulu—6,051 miles—in an official elapsed time of 14 hours and 33 minutes.

BUDGET BASED ON 'QURANIC INJUNCTIONS'

Liaquat Ali Out For Social Justice

Warning Against Frittering Away Of Sterling Balances

NEW DELHI, Feb. 28 (API): Introducing the Interim Government's first budget this evening Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan disclosed a deficit of 48.46 crores.

He made the following points:—

1. It will be my particular endeavour to reduce, to the maximum extent possible, the glaring disparities that exist to-day between the income and standards of life of the wealthy classes and the vast multitude of poverty-stricken masses and to contribute to the best of my ability to the improvement of the common man.

2. We must not forget the heavy responsibilities that lie on our shoulders to ensure that the transference of power from British to Indian hands is effected peacefully and that the freedom that is achieved is the true freedom for all the peoples of this subcontinent.

INFLATION TO BE CHECKED

3. Without a measure of assurance about the shape of future constitution it is not easy to formulate any long-term economic on financial plan: but without in any way prejudging or prejudicing the constitutional issue, we must go forward tackling urgent economic problems: the present inflationary trends have to be kept in check and provision made for maintaining the level of employment and production when deflationary trends manifest themselves as they are bound to sooner or later.

4. The financial settlement between the Government of India and H.M.G. comes to an end on March 31, 1947 and thereafter all Defence Expenditure incurred by India will be charged direct to her.

5. India's claim on H.M.G. regarding her Sterling Balances will not be affected by any considerations which do not take into full account the privations and sacrifice which this country passed through in the war years and the appallingly low standard of living of our poverty-stricken masses.

DEVELOPMENT GRANTS AND LOANS

6. Although long-term plans, the execution of which is entrusted to the Central Departments, may need review in the light of the new situation, everything possible would be done to foster development on a provincial and regional basis. A sum of Rs. 45 crores for development grants and Rs. 32 crores for loans to the provinces have been provided. The Central Government has agreed to assume financial responsibility for the construction and maintenance of national highways and this would come into effect from April 1947. It is hoped that the Damodar Valley Corporation will shortly be set up to plan, construct and administer the Damodar Scheme and the construction of certain dams will be started next year.

FINANCIAL POSITION

The following figures explain the financial position for 1946-47 and, the Budget estimates at the existing level of taxation for 1947-48:

	(In Crores of rupees) 1946-47	1947-48
REVENUE	336.19	279.42
EXPENDITURE	381.47	327.88
DEFICIT	45.28	48.46

The Finance Member started by emphasising his desire to improve the lot of the common man.

Referring to the changes in the political field culminating in H.M.G.'s statement of February 20th he said:

"These are momentous developments, especially the recent statement by His Majesty's Government declaring their intention to transfer complete power to the peoples of India. It is yet too early to envisage clearly all the changes foreshadowed by the statement but this much is certain that the responsibility for shaping the future now rests in our own hands. And while we may well feel elated at the prospect of the freedom that awaits us, we must not forget the heavy responsibility that lies on our shoulders to ensure that the transference of power from British to Indian hands is effected peacefully and that the freedom that is achieved is true freedom for all the peoples of this vast sub-continent."

Continuing the Finance Member said: The deflationary tendencies which at one time were expected to manifest themselves soon after the end of the war, have not materialised: Inflationary trends continue to persist and prices are still running high. The war time shortage of consumer goods has not yet been materially alleviated: production has been hampered by the inevitable delay in obtaining capital goods, by labour unrest and transport difficulties. In addition, there has been the continuous anxiety about the food position.

It is not easy to formulate any long-term economic or financial plan without any idea of the shape of the future constitution. In view of the latest announcement of H.M.G., the coming year is bound to be full of intense political activity but it does not follow that therefore we should merely mark time till the constitutional issue is settled. Without prejudicing the issue, we should go forward to/ tackling the urgent economic problems of this vast sub-continent, check the present inflationary trends and provide for maintaining the level of employment and production.

REVENUE RECEIPTS

The revenue receipts for the current year are estimated at Rs. 336.19 crores, an improvement of Rs. 29.66 crores over the budget. Customs receipts are expected to improve by Rs. 28.02 crores partly as the result of larger imports and duties on tea, jute and cotton: Central Excise is expected to realise Rs. 42.78 crores against Rs. 44.32 crores in the budget: Income tax Rs. 157 crores against the budget estimates of Rs. 149.25 crores: Revenue from Posts and Telegraphs Department Rs. 31.15 crores an improvement of Rs. 57 lakhs over the budget estimates and a net surplus of Rs. 4.78 crores against Rs. 8.33 crores estimated in the budget owing to an increase in working expenses and Railway contribution Rs. 5.61 crores against Rs. 7.36 crores estimated in the Budget.

DEFENCE EXPENDITURE

As regards Defence Expenditure, the Revised Estimate including Capital Expenditure is Rs. 240.11 crores against the Budget estimate of Rs. 245.34 crores. The total numbers released since the commencement of demobilisation upto the end of 1946 were Army 11,87,000, Navy 20,000 and Air Force 18,000. Some reduction in India's Defence Budget is also expected through the setting up of the Armed Forces Nationalisation Committee to enquire into the ways and means of speeding up the replacement of non-Indian personnel by Indians throughout the Defence Services.

CIVIL EXPENDITURE

The revised estimate of Civil Expenditure is Rs. 143.36 crores, an increase of Rs. 32.35 crores over the Budget. This is mainly due to the subsidising of imported food grains, which is expected to cost Rs. 20 crores: Interim concessions sanctioned to low paid staffs estimated to cost Rs. two crores; increased expenditure on Tribal Areas of about one and three-fourth crores and a payment of Rs. two-and-half crores to Nepal in recognition of its war services.

The sudden cessation of hostilities in the East created two major problems for immediate consideration, viz.

(A) The cancellation of pending demands for warlike stores, and

(B) The transition of industry from war to civil production. Two committees have accordingly been set up to finalise the reduction of demands before the end of the financial year and has effected the cancellation of contracts to the value of Rs. 50 crores to the end of December.

A development wing has also been set up in the reconstituted Department of Industries and Supplies with the immediate task of assisting reconversion of industry from war to civil production by according necessary priorities, transport and other production facilities.

As regards disposals, the Finance Member, after briefly referring to the Lease-Lend Agreement reached with U.S.A. said: Vigorous steps have been taken to feed the surpluses acquired under the agreement into the main stream of distribution. The total sale proceeds of the surpluses are likely to exceed 50 million dollars.

In addition to these American surpluses, considerable quantities of stocks held by the Defence authorities have become surplus to the requirements of the Armed Forces. Every effort is being made to ensure that no avoidable delay occurred in dealing with them.

As regards the 36 ordinance and other factories set up during the war to meet the demands by Defence Services it has been decided to retain and regroup 15 factories as the peacetime ordinance establishment and to dispose of 21 factories, mainly clothing, harness and saddlery factories as an integral part of the policy to divert capacity from war to peace production.

Other matters of importance during the year which were referred to by the Finance Member were:

The relaxation of controls, the majority of these having been withdrawn with effect from the first October 1946 only those on commodities such as coal, textiles, iron and steel and certain essential controls such as those over exports and imports and exchange remaining.

The appointment of a Central Pay Commission to enquire into the conditions of service of Central Government servants with particular reference to the adequacy of the pay scales and standards of remuneration. The Commission has nearly completed its task and steps have been taken to deal with its recommendations as expeditiously as possible, and any changes in the rates of pay following the decisions on the Commissions recommendations will be given effect to from the first January 1947.

The setting up of a Commodities Prices Board under the Finance Department. As regards this, the Finance Member said that a second price structure is of critical importance to the economic health of the country, especially during the period of transition following on the economic upsets created by the total war. The Board will assist and advise Government in the formulation and administration of an appropriate and consistant price policy.

1947-48

The Finance Member then dealt with the financial year 1947-48. On the existing basis of taxation, the total revenue for the year is estimated at Rs. 279.42 crores compared with Rs. 336.19 crores for the current year.

The revenue from Customs receipts has been placed at 89 crores, Rs. one and half crores more than the Revised Estimate for the current year from Central Excise duties Rs. 40.93 crores; from Income-tax receipts Rs. 135 crores which include Rs. 40 crores on account of arrears of E.P.T. and Rs. 7 crores on account of arrears of Central Surcharge. The total divisible pool is estimated at Rs. 76.33 crores and the provincial share at Rs. 35.18 crores.

The revenue of the Posts and Telegraphs Department is expected to be Rs. 30.2 crores and the working expenses and interest Rs. 25.98 crores leaving a net surplus Rs. 4.22 crores.

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Mahatma's Triumph In Central Budget

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ner of effecting the change being a matter for separate consideration in due course.

SPECULATION, A SOCIAL EVIL

There is another matter which I should also like to mention, namely, the question of control over speculation on the Stock Market and on the commodity and bullion exchanges. The House will, I am sure, agree with me that in recent years speculative activity has tended to increase, particularly on the stock exchanges, with serious consequences on the banking system and credit structure of the country as a whole. Unbridled speculation has been a serious impediment to the growth of proper investment which is an essential condition of economic development. I regard speculation of this kind as a social evil indistinguishable from gambling and its greatest mischief lies in the fact that it aggravates economic inequalities in a country where such inequalities are already serious. The question of regulating exchanges has been the subject of a special enquiry by the Economic Adviser of my department, and the views of provincial governments have also been elicited. I hope to place before the House after the necessary examination is completed the measures that may be necessary in this behalf.

The proposals that I have to place before this House, whether they involve the levy of fresh or the abandonment of existing taxation, are related, not to purely financial purposes, but to certain social objectives which, I am sure the House will agree, must be kept prominently in view by all those who have the good of the countless millions of this vast sub-continent at heart. India is a land of glaring contrasts and disparities; we have here on the one hand a class of multi-millionaires rolling in wealth and holding the economy of the country in their grip by exploiting for their own profit the labour of the poorer classes, and on the other hand the vast multitudes who eke out, somehow or other, a miserable existence precariously near the starvation line.

QURANIC BACKGROUND

The conditions created by the last war served to accentuate these disparities; the rich became richer and the poor poorer. This meant the concentration of wealth in fewer and fewer hands and, inevitably, the use of that wealth for the purpose of tightening the stranglehold of big money over the economic life of the country as a whole by the acquisition of businesses, companies, public utilities, and the press. A set of conditions in which the few are able to wield such vast power over the many can hardly be regarded as anything but a negation of the principles of social justice. And although I am not one of those who consider the abolition of private property and the complete equalization of incomes as the only remedy for these ills, I do believe in the Quaranic injunction that wealth should not be allowed to circulate only among the wealthy, and the stern warning given against accumulations of wealth in the hands of individuals. It is against this background that my budget proposals have been formulated, although I am afraid I cannot claim that they represent anything more than the first stage of a policy of social justice and development which it will require years to bring to full fruition.

TO STOP ACCUMULATION OF WEALTH

My first proposal in implementation of the policy I have indicated is the setting up of a commission to investigate that aspect of the great private accumulations of wealth in recent years which is concerned with our Direct Taxation. We have heard a great deal for some years past about the enormous amount of income which is alleged to have escaped taxation either owing to deliberate evasion or to the inadequacy of the Income-Tax Department or to both. We have also heard of the huge sums that are said to have been made in black-market operations. I therefore propose to set up a special investigation commission with full powers to get to the bottom of this matter and to make recommendations to Government in regard to such action as may be found necessary.

FILLING THE GAP

I come now to my taxation proposals. I have come to the conclusion that the greater part of this gap should be filled by direct taxation and my proposals for new or increased taxation are designed to yield Rs. 44 crores of which Rs. four crores will go to the provinces as their share.

SALT TAX TO GO

In regard to the Salt Tax, the objections are well-known—the most valid being that it is laid upon a prime necessity of life and that it is regressive, the poor man paying as much as the rich man and perhaps, if he is a manual worker, even more. On the other hand, the incidence on the individual consumer is light, while the annual yield in revenue amounts to more than Rs. nine crores. Until recent years, the yield from the tax formed a substantial part of the revenue budget and previous Governments have felt unable to dispense with so large an individual contribution. At the present time, however, the proportion which it bears to the total revenue is comparatively small so that this objection has considerably less force now than before. After careful consideration it has been decided that the tax should now be withdrawn.

CONTROL OF SALT MANUFACTURE

The Excise duty on indigenous salt and the Customs duty on imported salt will accordingly be withdrawn with effect from the 1st April 1947, but Government will continue its own production of salt and will retain control over organised manufacture and will also purchase or control all imported salt. Individuals will, however, be allowed to make or collect salt for their own purposes and those who wish to manufacture for sale will be allowed to do so subject to certain limitations, which will be prescribed by rules.

In order to provide that as far as possible the full benefit of the remission of duty is passed on to the consumer maximum prices will be prescribed and failure to observe these maxima will be liable to penalty.

A bill giving effect to these decisions and setting up machinery for the future control of the manufacture, import and distribution of salt will be introduced during the course of this session.

The corner stone of our economic policy is to maintain strict control over the prices of the basic necessities of life, food and cloth, so as to stabilise them at reasonable levels and keep them within the purchasing power of the poorest sections of the population. I am determined to take all steps in my power in furtherance of this policy.

In the field of direct taxation, I propose to raise the minimum exemption limit for income-tax, which is now Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 2,500.

Coming now to proposals of additional taxation my most important contribution is the proposal to levy a special income-tax of twenty-five per cent of business profits exceeding one lakh of rupees. The proposals for this tax are contained in a separate bill and I do not desire to anticipate here the explanation which will be given when the Bill is being considered by this House. But I should like to point out that this proposed tax is very much more simple to operate and very much fairer in its incidence than the excess profits tax. It also embraces professions and vocations which were exempt from the excess profits tax. To prevent hardship in the case of moderate incomes a limit of exemption of one lakh of rupees has been fixed. This in substance corresponds to the "standard profit" under the excess profits tax act, and only the excess above one lakh will be subject to the tax.

The yield of the tax is estimated at Rs. thirty crores for next year.

TAX ON CAPITAL GAINS

My next proposal is a tax on capital gains. Honourable members must be well aware of the extent to which large capital gains have been made in recent years and are still being made owing to prevailing conditions These profits are, as the law stands, outside the scope of the Income-Tax Act. I feel very strongly that this lacuna in our legislation should be filled. There is stronger justification for taxing these profits than there is for taxing ordinary income since they represent what is properly described as unearned increment. The U.S.A. taxes such profits. I am well aware that possibly the chief reason why many countries do not seek to tax them is the fear that losses claimed may exceed the profits declared. I am proposing to deal with this contingency as the U.S.A. have dealt with it, by allowing capital losses to be set off only against Capital gains. This at least will secure us against a net loss under this head in any particular case. The proposals also distinguish between gains made from the disposal of Capital assets held for two years and those held for more than two years. In the case of the former the usual rates of Income-Tax and Super-Tax will apply, while in the case of the latter, Super-Tax will not be levied. This distinction, however, does not apply to companies as they are not assessed to graduated rates of Super-Tax. The proposals further provide for ignoring profits and losses not exceeding Rs. 5,000 a year. There are two reasons for this exemption. In the first instance, we do not want to harass assessees or waste the time of our officers by investigating petty capital transactions and, secondly, we want to exclude the great majority of cases in which assessees dispose of personal possession. The proposal is expected to yield Rs. 3-7/2 crores next year.

These proposals for taxing capital gains are contained in a bill, already mentioned, to amend the Income-tax and Excess Profits Tax acts which is being placed before the House. The part of the bill which deals with Excess Profits Tax implements an undertaking previously given to provide for terminal losses. It recognises the fact that some expenses and losses incurred after the 31st March 1946—the date on which the Excess Profits Tax ceased to have effect—should, in fairness, be treated as relating to the E. P. T. period. It is proposed therefore to allow as a deduction from the profits of the chargeable accounting period ended on that date terminal expenses incurred after it and losses from the subsequent realisation of trading stocks held on that date.

INCREASE IN CORPORATION TAX

My next proposal is to raise the rate of Corporation Tax from one anna to two annas. This is expected to yield Rs. four crores next year.

No change is proposed in the rates of Income-tax but I feel that our present rates of Super-Tax are not sufficiently in accordance with modern trends in the taxation of high individual incomes. It seems to me that the maximum rate of ten and a half annas should be reached at points much lower than the present, which are Rs. 3-1/2 lakhs for unearned income and Rs. 5 lakhs for earned income. In the scale which I am proposing the maximum rate is reached at Rs. 1.2 lakhs for unearned income and Rs. 1.5 lakhs for earned income. This will, in effect, mean, that in these reaches of income the total of Income-tax, and Super-tax taken together will amount to fifteen and half annas in the rupee. This proposal is expected to yield Rs. two and a half crores next year.

DIVIDEND CONTROL

Finally, I come to the Dividend Tax which was imposed last year, not for the purpose of raising revenue but in order to discourage the dissipation of a company's resources in excessive dividends. The idea underlying the scheme is that a company should be penalised if it distributed roughly more than one half of its profits left after taxation. So far as we have been able to ascertain from completed assessments, the policy which this tax seeks to enforce has been followed in the great majority of cases. But in order to discourage further those who still persist in distributing what we consider excessive dividends in present circumstances, I propose to tighten up the provision by making the rates of tax more penal. As the proposal will yield no tax if it fulfils its object and as that is my hope, I am estimating no yield under this head.

TEA DUTY DOUBLED

In the field of Indirect taxation, I propose to raise the existing export duty on tea from two annas per pound to four annas per pound. This is estimated to yield additional revenue to the extent of Rs. four crores in the next year. I should emphasise that this duty is of a temporary nature and if circumstances arise which indicate that there is danger of curtailment of our export of tea, it may be necessary to reduce the rate.

The effect of my proposals is to increase Central Revenues by Rs. 39.75 crores which will leave a final deficit of Rs. 16.96 crores. I must warn the House that the actual deficit may be much larger as the budget does not include any provision for the additional expenditure that may be incurred as a result of the orders that may be passed on the recommendations of the Central Pay Commission. Some losses in Customs duty due to reductions in tariff may also arise as a result of the International trade discussions which are shortly to be held and in which India is participating, but we might reasonably hope that any losses resulting to the public exchequer will be counter-balanced by the advantages accruing to the people of this country as a result of the Tariff Concessions which we hope to receive from the other countries in exchange for the concessions made by us.

Sir, I have done. We are passing through an exceedingly difficult phase. The transition from war to peace presents to economy of every country with problems of great magnitude and difficulty. In our case there is, superimposed on these problems, the still greater problem of transfer of power from British to Indian hands. The problem of India's political emancipation with which is linked up the economic well-being of the country is intricate and the task ahead of us difficult. But if we tackle it with wisdom and courage and arrive at a peaceful, just and honourable settlement we will have succeeded in ensuring the future progress and happiness of the peoples of this vast subcontinent. The eyes of the whole world are on us. May Providence help and guide us during the most critical year of our destiny.

Spotlight on Antarctica

U 235—raw material for the Atom Bomb. This is supposed to be the lure for the mammoth expedition undertaken by U. S. to explore the bleak wastes of the bottom of the earth. The expedition is under the command of Admiral Byrd, who before the war hit the headlines by staying alone amidst the ice mountains for full six months. A topical article on the history of Antarctic exploration in the next "Bombay Chronicle Weekly."

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Princes' Proceedings To Come Out Of 'Purdah'

CONSTITUTIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S DECISION SEQUEL TO RECENT STATEMENTS IN VARIOUS PAPERS

NEW DELHI, Feb. 28 (API).—It is understood that the Constitutional Advisory Committee of the Chamber of Princes today decided that at tomorrow's meeting of the two Negotiating Committees, the subjects left over from their last meeting, namely, the mode of selection and distribution of seats to States representatives on the Constituent Assembly, be taken up, thus finishing the preliminary stage of the discussion between the two Negotiating Committees.

It was agreed that other matters which might arise would be for informal discussion, but the general opinion in the Constitutional Advisory Committee was that a new and crucial situation had arisen as a result of Premier Attlee's speech, which called for a supreme effort on the part of Rulers of States as well as the major political parties to come together to evolve a method of constitution building in order to enable the country to assume power by June, 1948.

It is learnt that the Committee earlier considered a motion suggesting that in view of recent statements in various newspapers and misconceptions created by them, the proceedings be made public and communicated to the Press. During the discussion on the motion, the representatives of Gwalior and Indore replied to the suggestion made in a section of the Press regarding them and pointed out that the resolution passed by the Committee of Ministers was unanimous.

NO BREAK IN NEGOTIATIONS

It was made clear on behalf of the Ministers' Committee that there was no idea at any time of any break in the negotiations between the two Negotiating Committees.

The Constitutional Advisory Committee finally agreed that it should be open if occasion arose to any member to issue a contradiction or publish his views as expressed by him at the meeting.

"POOR MAN GETS HIS SALT —RICH MAN HIS GRAVE"

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glad I will have nothing to spare which Mr. Liaquat Ali could tax.

Mr. Sri Prakasa (Congress): When the Finance Member said "I have done" (at the close of his speech), I said "many are undone."

Syed Ghulam Bhik Nairang: A very good budget.

Sardar Vinchurkar (Deccan Sardars): For the average man it is a good budget and those who have more money will naturally have to contribute for the improvement of the condition of the average man. I welcome it.

Mr. D. P. Karmarkar and Mr. A. K. Menon (Congress): The principle underlying the taxation proposals are very sound in so far as they tend towards a reduction of the burden upon the poor and imposition of an additional burden on the richer.

DRASTIC AND DISCOURAGING, SAYS C. B. MEHTA

BOMBAY, Friday.

Sir Chunilal B. Mehta in an interview welcomed many features in the budget proposals though he said that from the point of view of the commercial community the proposals are "very drastic and discouraging".

Sir Chunilal suggested that in view of the increased and increasing cost of living the Income-Tax exemption limit should be raised to at least Rs. 3,000.

Sir Chunilal also favoured the proposals to appoint an Economy Committee of officials and non-officials to make proposals for economy and expenditure to control speculation on stock, commodity and bullion exchanges and the appointment of a special commissioner to investigate the vast accumulation of wealth.

BIG PROFITS HIT

Referring to the 25 per cent tax on business profits exceeding one lakh of rupees, Sir Chunilal said that the nature of this tax is quite different from that of the Excess Profit Tax. Under the Excess Profit Tax there was standard profit, which might come to any big amount. But under the new tax standard profit is to be only one lakh of rupees, and as such it will affect very much adversely all big corporations, firms and individuals.

The introduction of a graduated tax on capital gains is another tax of a new type.

Referring to the target of borrowings from the market at 150 crores of rupees during the next year, Sir Chunilal thought that in view of reduced profits and increased taxation, fulfilment of the target figure is very problematical, except of course by abandoning the present cheap money rates policy.

K. R. P. SHROFF CALLS IT DRACONIAN BUDGET

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. K. R. P. Shroff, President Stock Exchange, Bombay has issued the following:—

It is a Draconian budget whose severity is relieved by two pleasing features—the abolition of salt tax which the country has long demanded and the raising of the Income-tax exemption limit from Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 2,500 which will be a boon to the lower middle class. The budget, however, delivers a sledge-hammer blow to trade and industry and the cumulative effect of the new taxes will be to retard the flow of capital into productive channels. The 25 per cent tax on business profits exceeding a lakh of Rupees combined with the one anna increase in Corporation Tax will press heavily on active enterprises while banks, credit institutions and investors in general will be further burdened with the graduated Capital Gains Tax that is proposed to be introduced.

Measures for controlling Stock, Bullion and commodity markets sound interesting but judgment must await the results they produce. The setting up of a committee to investigate large accumulations of wealth is wholly welcome.

D. F. Karaka:

Off My Chest

My editor has passed on to me a letter addressed to this column which speaks for itself. I reproduce it in full because letters like these are healthy for a nation during this period of transition.

It's writer, Mr. S. V. Varde, says: 25th February, 1947.

I congratulate you on your courage to write about what you saw at the Santa Cruz Aerodrome. Someone must make a start with bringing about a rigid discipline among ourselves. I used to get terribly indignant whenever I saw a board displayed on public conveniences "For Europeans Only", but I do not blame the Europeans for wanting to keep us away from using their conveniences because we do not know how to use them. When I say "We", I mean the majority of Indians and when I say Indians, I mean particularly the Banias and my own kind, the Tatyas.

In the C.C.I., I once persuaded an Indian not to blow his nose in the wash-hand basin as it was going to be used by others. He turned round and became abusive and said that I was a black Englishman and he was not asking for any suggestions from me, at any rate.

If our own brothers and sisters are going to resent a hygienic suggestion, they are not going to be respected even by those Indians who insist on clean habits, much less by outsiders. I have given this problem very deep thought and while I deplore the bad habits among our own people, the solution will not be in stigmatizing them in local papers only, but children in schools should be actually shown how to form good habits. The question, of course, is who is going to show them? "The" teachers who themselves do not know it? Or Indians of Mr. Tendulkar's type who having gone to England, France, Germany, and Russia, see nothing in bad habits?"

The Congress Government will do well to penalise bad habits such as spitting on the road, blowing noses in public streets, throwing things out of windows on the pavements and streets and feeding children to the full gaze of the public, and many others, than spending millions of Rupees in enforcing prohibition.

As long as those in-charge of Government themselves do not take a bold lead in these seemingly trivial but extremely important things, we have not the slightest chance of being respected anywhere, even in our country by our own countrymen.

Recently, I was the guest of a very charming Bania gentleman at Juhu who usually tells you (even if it is for the fiftieth time) that he has been to America several times and attempts to impress upon you that everything about him is American. Even in his accent, but only rarely, he discloses the fact that he has lived in America for sometime. He was extremely hospitable and I had the most enjoyable evening with him.

However, just before dinner when I had the occasion to go to his closet to clean up, I could not stand there even for a second. How is that this well-travelled Indian, who has everything American about him, has overlooked the hygienic and clean habits of the Americans? I am quite sure that he has very clean habits when he is in America, but I cannot understand how he does not bother to imitate his American associates, in this particular department, in this country.

The answer is simple. He neglects the other members of his family and connives at their dirty habits and when his children eventually grow up, they will also carry with them the family traditions. And so it goes on. Unless people like you, and more of them, are bold enough to write and tell our own people how to behave both at home and in public, we shall continue to have the present sad state of affairs. Behaving well at home is most important. Our behaviour in public, then, will be automatically good.

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Sidelights On Rajkamal And Its Boss

Interview With Shantaram (Concluded)

By "SARDI"

Last week, I told you of Shantaram's big and successful venture to put Indian films on the foreign map. This time I want to present a few more sidelights, some of them intimate.

THRILLED BY BERGMAN

For a man who has been so long in films, beginning as a youthful apprentice of filmdom's pioneer Baburao Painter, Shantaram looks absurdly young even today. Seeing him for the first time, in private life, I could hardly believe that this man was the force behind the Rajkamal organisation. But once he started talking on the subject of film business, to which he has given his whole heart, I realised that behind the undoubted artistry and talent, there is a first-class brain—not only of a show man but also that of a businessman.

I asked him why the technicolour process used for American films could not be used for our own industry.

His answer was simple and forthright:

"Apart from patent rights, the process would be far too costly for our films."

"What," I queried, "gave you the greatest thrill out of all that the American entertainment world had to offer?"

"A personal invitation from Ingrid Bergman to see her, on Broadways, in JOAN OF LORRAINE. I enjoyed the play immensely. She is a great actress indeed."

Jayashree points an approving finger at the keeper of her heart—Shantaram.

ART BEFORE TECHNIQUE

"Did you arrive in New York at an auspicious time?" I inquired next.

"Hardly so, the transport strike was on when we arrived by the Aquitania; nevertheless, the American reception to us was splendid, as also to our films. They value artistry for more than mere technique, there. An Italian picture called "Open City, though technically poor, has been running to capacity houses in New York, under the distribution of Arthur Mayer and Joseph Burnstyn who have bought my own pictures, which, fortunately, were valued both for their technical and artistic qualities."

I now put to him a question that had long been near my heart.

"Why," interrogated I, "did you omit mention of the Congress from 'Dr. Kotnis'?"

"For a special reason that I cannot divulge at the moment. However, let it not be thought that my sympathies are not with the Congress. I have been proud to do my own little bit for it in various ways, without infusing politics into my pictures."

FORTHCOMING RAJKAMAL PICTURE

Coming nearer home, I asked Shantaram about his forthcoming films, and discovered that JEVAN YATRA is ready for an early release. It will present his new discovery Nayan Tara under Winayak's direction. Following it, will be ANDHONE KI DUNIYA, directed by Datye of "Mali" fame. Third on the list is RAM JOSHI, a biographical study of a famous Marathi poet.

"Andhone Ki Duniya" will be directed by none other than Shantaram's former 'guru'—Baburao Painter.

Strange irony of fate! Yet, surely Baburao Painter must be proud of this 'chela' of his who has performed the threefold task of preserving Art on the screen, discovering some of our finest talent—including his and our beloved Jayashree—and selling Indian films in the foreign market for the first time. Add to all this, Shantaram's respect for and devotion to his 'maestro', and Painter has every reason to pat himself on the back for giving us: SHANTARAM.

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CURRENT PHOTOPLAYS

Minerva

PREMIERE OF "AIE BAHAAR"

The release of AIE BAHAAR, from the pen of D. N. Madhok, has been scheduled for this afternoon at the above theatre.

The story, judging from advance reports, seems as old as the hills: A village belle loses her rustic lover when he is lured to a big city and she falls into the snare of a modern siren. The plucky village maid follows her lost love to the city, but is repulsed by him, till a kindly dramatist takes a hand in bringing the pair together again.

Irshad and Om Prakash share stellar honours with Gyani and Ajmal in support.

Shanim, star of "Bhanvar".

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Roxy

LIGHT COMEDY

Filmistan's EIGHT DAYS presents Ashok Kumar as a war veteran determined to better the world with new schemes, which, however, are hampered by the undue haste of his parents to find him a suitable match.

Playing the female lead opposite Ashok Kumar is Veera. Leela Misra portrays the hero's mother.

The musical score of Kumar Sachin Deo Barman and the lyrics of Gopal Singh Nepali are features of this photoplay.

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Krishna

MINERVA AVERAGE

DIVANI must be bracketed as an average film from the Minerva studio, carrying a social theme as to how peace may best be secured in the home.

Mumtaz Shanti and Wasti play the leading roles under the baton of Y. D. Sarpotdar.

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Imperial

RURAL ALLEGORY

Raj Laxmi's POOL is in the nature of a parable, preaching the gospel of unity.

A stranger disrupts the peace of a village by sowing the seeds of dissension among the inhabitants. When, however, the villagers realise the folly of neighbour turning against neighbour, they rally together to offer a united front to their common enemy.

Biman Bannerji and Rehana head the cast which consists, among others, of E. Billimoria, Vikram Kapoor and Balraj Mehta.

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New West-End

WADIA PICTURE

A lavish costume play, based on a Gujerati legend, is what Wadia Movietone's AMAR RAJ has to offer. Mohanlal Dave is the original author of this fantasy.

The late Naseem Jr. and Trilok Kapoor play lovers, with Rehana, Nirupa Roy and H. Prakash in featured roles.

This film, directed by Homi Wadia, provides pleasant escapist entertainment.

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Lamington

MUKTI MAIDEN

GAURAV is the first production to be released by Mukti Pictures.

Set in modern times, this screenplay presents a story of emotional conflict. Zeenat, Ghaushyam, Shobha Devi and Pande play the main roles.

Deepak's songs have been set to music, for this film, by Shanti Kumar.

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Swastik

APTE VEHICLE

Prabhakar Pictures' VALMIKI, is essentially a starring vehicle for Shanta Apte who has Prithviraj as the male lead.

"Valmiki" is decked with the trappings of mythology, a chapter of which it sets out to unfold.

Pratima Devi, Baburao Pendharkar, Leela and Raj Kapoor bring up the supporting cast of this picture made under the direction of Bhal Pendharkar.

Om Prakash and Irshad in "Aie Bahaar".

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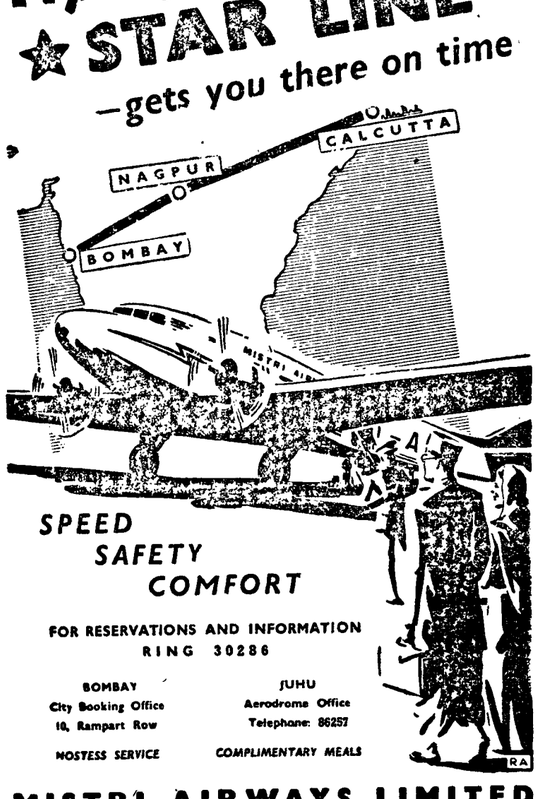

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PROTECTION FOR DEBTORS

Bombay Council Passes Money Lending Bill

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Bombay Government's Money-Lending Bill will now become an Act as it was finally passed in the Bombay Legislative Council this afternoon after it was duly read for the third time. There was only one dissentient, Mr. D. V. Delvi (Sholapur-cum-Belgaum-cum-Bijapur).

Mr. V. L. Mehta, Finance Minister to the Government of Bombay, sponsoring the Bill on behalf of Mr. Morarji Desai, the Home and Revenue Minister observed that it was a belated piece of legislation meant to regulate the relations between money-lenders and their debtors. A similar legislation was mooted by the previous Congress Government in 1938, but before it could be passed the Government laid down the reins of office.

The Bill required money-lenders to get themselves registered and obtain licences. Among the obligations imposed on money-lenders would be one requiring them to maintain accounts in prescribed forms as soon as a transaction was over and to supply a copy to the debtor. The rate of interest also would be fixed from time to time and no money-lender could exceed the prescribed rates.

The Bill contained provisions for protecting debtors from molestation by usurious creditors.

Mr. D. V. Delvi, opposing the Bill said that it tended to undermine the credit of the rural population.

Ignorant money-lenders would be hit hard as they would have to employ clerks to maintain accounts

Mr. N. S. Desai supported the Bill but suggested that provision had to be made for those who did occasional money-lending.

Sir Abdul Latif Haji Khan wanted that Urdu should be one of the languages in which accounts could be kept by money-lenders.

Mr. R. N. Mandlik, speaking in Marathi said that though he lent his support to the Bill, he would like to warn Government that it would take them hardly two years to realise how adversely it affected the borrower

MORARJI'S REPLY

Mr. Morarji Desai in replying to the Opposition stated that the honest money-lender had nothing to fear in the legislation. It would only operate against that class of money lenders who fleeced their debtors.

Unless a money-lender could keep accounts he had no business to be in the profession.

To the argument that the debtor class would be put to difficulty, the Minister replied that he would not be sorry if the agriculturist could not obtain credit as then he would not incur debts. As things stood at the present debtors remained perpetually indebted as they had to pay several times.

COURT FEES BILL

The Council then passed the Bill to amend the Court-fees Act, the Bill to amend the Bombay Irrigation Act and the Bill to repeal the Indian Registration (Bombay Amendment) Act.

The Bill to extend the term of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was also passed.

FAMINE FUND RELIEF BILL

A Bill to repeal the Bombay Famine relief Fund (Amendment) Act, 1940 and to re-enact certain provisions thereof was read for the third time and passed. The Bill was introduced into the Council by Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Member.

A Bill to amend the Bombay Village Police Act of 1867 was also passed at the Council.

A Bill to re-enact the Bombay Municipal Boroughs (Amendment) Act, 1944, the Bombay District Municipal and Municipal Boroughs (Amendment) Act, 1945, and the Bombay District Municipal and Municipal Boroughs (Amendment) Act, 1946, and to amend the Bombay Municipal Act, 1901 and the Bombay Municipal Act, 1925, was introduced by Mr. G. D. Vartak and was passed.

A Bill to repeal the Bombay Weights and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1943 and the Bombay Weights and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1945, and to re-enact certain provisions of the said act, was read for the third time by Minister Tapase and passed.

A Bill to repeal the Bombay Town Planning (Amendment) Act, 1942, and to re-enact certain provisions thereof went through the first, second and third readings and passed.

The Council will meet again on the 5th of March when budget discussions will begin.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League arrived in Bombay on Friday morning accompanied by Miss Fatma Jinnah. He was given a rousing reception at the Ballard Pier.

M. A. Jinnah Arrives In Bombay

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, arrived in the city this morning from Karachi by the S. S. "Bamora". The boat anchored in the harbour in the early hours of the morning, but touched the quayside at 10 o'clock due to the low tide.

He was given a rousing reception when he landed at the Ballard Pier by the local League leaders and a large crowd of the supporters of the Muslim League. Among those present were Mr. Hasan A. Shaikh, General Secretary of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League, and Mr. A. A. Khan, Leader of the Muslim League Party in the Bombay Legislative Assembly.

To the press Mr. Jinnah told that he had nothing to say at present and was not certain when he would leave for Delhi.

Riots Cost Bengal Rs. 21,000,000

CALCUTTA, Feb. 27 (API): Communal riots in Calcutta and other places are estimated to cost the Bengal exchequer a little over Rs. 21,000,000 during the current financial year.

This was revealed in the Provincial Government's supplementary estimates for 1946-47, presented to the Bengal Legislative Assembly by the Finance Minister, Mr. Mohammad Ali, today.

The amount includes Rs. 1,12,10,000 spent in connection with riots in Calcutta, and Rs. 47,00,000 in other places in Bengal

The estimate of expenditure on Bihar refugees in Bengal during the current financial year is Rs. 51,00,000.

ADJUDICATOR'S AWARD IN TRANSPORT SERVICES DISPUTE

BOMBAY, Feb. 27 (API.) Sir Harshidhabhai V. Divatia, Adjudicator in the dispute between the Government Transport Service and the drivers and warners employed in the Service has given his award fixing the scale of pay of drivers at Rs. 60/5/75 per month with effect from May 1, 1945. The new entrants will start on Rs. 60 in the scale under the award. This, the award says, should be exclusive of the recent temporary increase of Rs. 10 per mensem dearness allowance and the amount of Rs. 5 for rent in lieu of free quarters.

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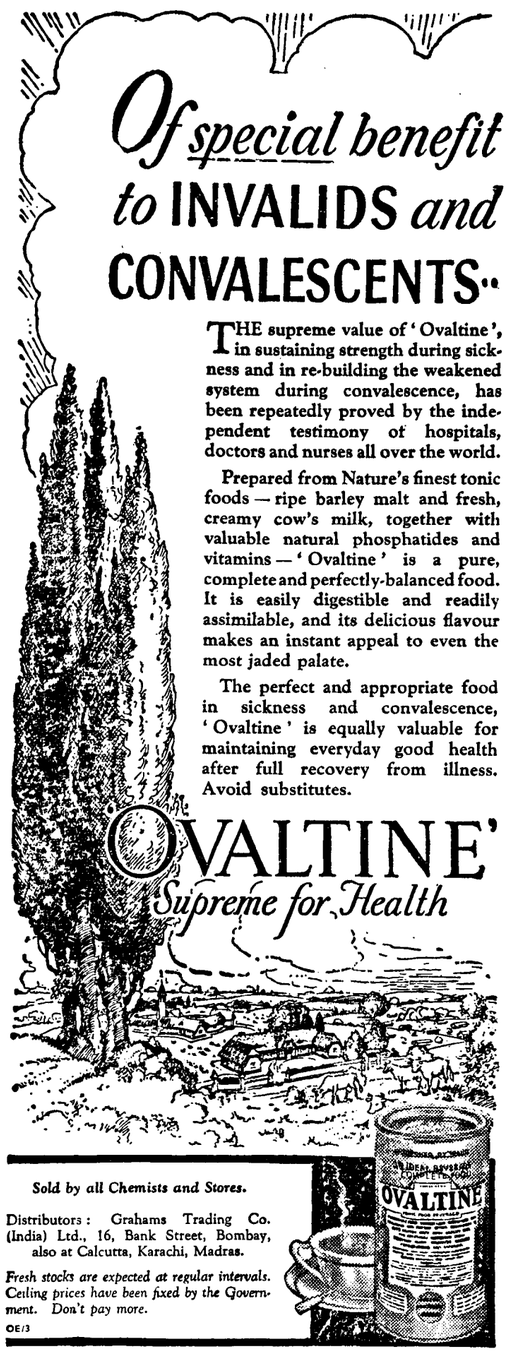

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The Annual Exhibition of the Home Industries of the Bombay Presidency Women's Council was opened by Lady Colville (Centre in the group) on Thursday.

JOWAR INCLUDED IN RATIONED ARTICLES

The Government of Bombay has declared milo (imported jowar) including milo flour as a rationed article in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District with effect from March 2, 1947. From that date, out of weekly ration for an adult of 3 1/8 Bombay seers of all combined foodgrains, wheat can be taken up to 7/8 seers, rice upto 1 1/2 seers and milo upto 1 1/2 seers.

Wheat, rice and milo together, can, however, be taken only upto 3 seers and the balance of 1/8 seer in maize and or barley. The maximum for maize as well as for barley will be 3 1/8 seers on an adult's ration card as at present.

Heavy manual labourers who are entitled to supplementary ration of one Bombay seer can obtain wheat upto 1/4 seer, rice upto 1/2 seer and milo upto 1/2 seer. Wheat, rice and milo together or rice and milo together can, however, be taken only upto 3/4 seer and the balance of 1/4 seers in maize or barley. The maximum for maize as well as barley will be 1 seers as at present.

The necessary notifications under the Bombay Rationing Order, 1943 are being published in the Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary dated March 1, 1947, says the press note issued by the Supply Commissioner Bombay.

SCARCITY OF WHEAT TO CONTINUE?

The present overall stocks of popular grains under the control of the Government of Bombay are equivalent to about 10 weeks supply.

The imports of wheat during November and December 1946 and January 1947 have been most inadequate and the wheat quantum had, therefore, to be reduced at the beginning of February 1947. The wheat allotment to the Province of Bombay during February and March together is only 19,000 tons and the scarcity of wheat is likely to continue until India gets rsubstantial imports from overseas.

SUPPLY OF "TONED MILK"

Supply of "Toned Milk" at eight annas a seer will commence from March 3 from 10 Government Grainshops in the localities mostly inhabited by the poorer people in the City of Bombay.

The Government of Bombay has opened a special dairy at Worli for the preparation of the Toned Milk.

It is hoped soon to supply 10,000 lbs. of Toned Milk daily through these centres, and gradually to increase both the quantity of supply and the number of the supply centres.

Marwari Found Murdered In Room

BOMBAY, Friday.

The body of a Marwari, with hands and legs tied and with marks of injuries due to strangulation, was discovered by the Bombay City Police last evening inside a room in Hussainbhoy Mansions, Duncan Road.

Sensing a bad smaell emanating from the building the police made a search and found the body inside room No. 19 which was locked from outside.

Police suspect that this is a case of murder with the intention of looting, and are making investigations. Some property is stated to be missing from the room.

The name of the murdered person is ascertained as 'Kundanmal'.

ALL-INDIA FORWARD BLOC COUNCIL MEETING

Mr. Mukundlal Sircar Secretary, All-India Forward Bloc writes:

The members of the Working Committee and the All-India Council of the Forward Bloc attending the Calcutta session in the middle of this month (March) will be provided with free boarding and lodging and they should inform the Reception Committee in time as regards their arrival.

The All-India Secretariat of the Forward Bloc will open its office on 12th March at 87, M.C. Ghosh Lane, Howrah where the Reception Committee is also located. The climate of Bengal now is temperate, but the members should take mosquito curtain with them.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MINORITIES

Sardar Elected Chairman

NEW DELHI, Feb. 27, (A.P.I.): The Advisory Committee on Minorities and Fundamental Rights set up by the Constituent Assembly met in the Council Hall, this afternoon, and elected Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel as its chairman. Three Sub-Committees were appointed to deal with three subjects namely, Fundamental Rights questions relating to Minorities and the tribal and excluded areas.

Truman's Assurance To Asaf Ali

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28, (Reuter): President Truman today asured the Indian Ambassador, Mr. Asaf Ali, that the United States was ready to assist India in its plan for economic development, and declared that "in the coming months the eyes of the world will be focussed on India with intense interest and earnest hopes".

This assurance was given when the Indian Ambassador presented his letters of credence at the White House.

Mr. Asaf Ali outlined the object of his mission as steady implementation of the existing friendship between India and the United States.

President Truman expressed satisfaction that the manner of achieving their goal is unequivocally placed in the hands of Indian leaders.

President Truman expressed pleasure that India's first Ambassador was a statesman of the Cabinet rank.

FORWARD BLOC LEADERS RELEASED

BOMBAY, Friday.

Ten Forward Bloc workers who were arrested on the 20th instant in connection with R.I.N. Revolt Day were released from Arthur Road Prison on Friday evening.

The released persons include Girdhar Thakkar and Madhav Menon, General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Forward Bloc, Jaswant Singh, Propaganda Secretary, Massillon Almeida, General Secretary Goa Congress Committee, Sher Mahomed, Jt. Secretary Bombay Students Congress, and D. V. Chopra of the I.N.A. Relief Committee."

Dutch Board U. S. Ship

BATAVIA, Feb. 28 (APA). The Dutch East Indies Government announced today that, if necessary, force would be used to make the U.S. Liberty ship "Martin Benaman" call at Tandjong Priok, Batavia harbour, for inspection.

(An earlier Batavia report said that an Indonesian spokesman, had announced that the ship had been boarded by 30 armed Dutch marines while she was loading rubber, sugar and quinine at Cheribon, the nationalist port.)

PRAKASAM RULES OUT NO-CONFIDENCE MOTION

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meeting at the Banquetting Hall today, the following authorised version of the proceedings was issued to the press by Mr. A. Vaidyanatha Iyer:—

"Mr. A. Vaidyanatha Iyer moved that the Party do meet again to consider the no-confidence motion and also proposed Mr. O. P. Ramaswami Reddiar to take the chair.

Dr. T. S. S. Rajan seconded the motion.

Both Mr. Shanker Rao Deo and Mr. T. Prakasam were present at the meeting.

Mr. K. Madhava Menon (Kerala) proposed that "this Congress Legislature Party has ceased to have any confidence in the leadership of Mr. T. Prakasam."

Dr. Rajan seconded the proposal.

The motion was carried by 134 votes to nil.

NEW LEADER

Mr. N. S. Varadhachari, a former Parliamentary Secretary, next moved that "Mr. O. P. Ramaswami Reddiar be elected as Leader of the Madras Congress Legislature Party subject to the approval of the Congress Parliamentary Board and that he shall form the Ministry in consultation with the High Command."

The resolution which was seconded by Dr. Rajan was carried unanimously.

About a dozen members, including Mr. A. Vaidyanatha Iyer, Dr. T. S. S. Rajan and Mr. C. N. Muthuranga Mudaliar felicitated the new Leader, Mr. O. P. Ramaswami Reddiar.

Mr. T. Prakasam said that his blessings were with them.

REPORT FOR HIGH COMMAND

Mr. Shanker Rao Deo in a brief speech said that he was authorised by the Congress High Command only "to watch and report." Accordingly he would submit "a proper report" to the High Command of what had taken place and he hoped also that the decision of the High Command would be loyally accepted by all the members of the Legislature Party and that meanwhile the Legislature work would be carried out without any dissension. He assured the members that he would communicate the decision of the High Command as early as possible.

ANOTHER MINISTER RESIGNS

Mr. V. Kurmayya, Minister for Information, submitted his resignation to Mr. Prakasam, Premier, today. He is the fifth Minister to resign owing to differences with Mr. Prakasam in his approach to the no-confidence motion.

Congress Legislature Party Annual Meeting

Mr. T. Prakasam, Leader of the Madras Congress Legislature Party, announced to-day that under Rule Five of the Madras Congress Legislature Party, the annual meeting of the Congress Legislature Party would be held on Sunday, March 30, at 9 a.m. in the Banqueting Hall for the election of a Leader, Deputy Leader and other office-bearers of the party.

PRAKASAM ON MINISTERIAL RESIGNATIONS

Mr. T. Prakasam told the 'Associated Press of India' this evening that he had accepted the resignations of the five ministers: Messrs. M. Bhaktavatsalam, Avinashilingham Chettiar, Kumaraswami Raja, Daniel Thomas and Kurmayya.

He said that arrangements were being made for the temporary distribution of their portfolios.

Stranded In Basrah

Plight Of 1,200 Indian Pilgrims

We have received the following cable dated Feb. 27 from Mr. Abdul Karim Rassai on behalf of 1200 British Indian pilgrims stranded in Basrah:—

BASRAH: "We are 1200 British Indian pilgrims, and have been hopelessly held up in Basrah in the hope of sailing by the "Islami" since 5th February. The British Consul had assured us that the "Islami" was a relief ship; but on the contrary it has proved to be the slowest cargo ship. There is not yet any trace of the end of the miseries of several pilgrims starving, begging and suffering most pitiably. Their resources are slender because they are poor though enthusiastic pilgrims similar to Haj pilgrims.

"TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION"

Telegrams to Cyrenaica are now accepted in plain language at Rs. 1-5-0 for full rate (XF) Rs. 0-10-6 for deferred (LC) and Rs. 0-7-0 for daily letter telegrams (DLT) Telegrams in code and cypher are prohibited. Telegrams to places in Cyrenaica other than to Benghazi and Derna are sent forward from Benghazi by post without additional charge and at the risk of the sender.

RATILAL GANDHI CONGRATULATED

On Friday afternoon at "Belvedere" Mr. Ratilal M. Gandhi was congratulated at a Tea Party by Mr. Dawood Hajee Nasser, as the President of the Oil Merchants Chamber on the former's recent election at the President of the Indian Merchants' Chamber of Bombay.

Mr. Ramdas Kilachand was also felicitated on his election as the Vice-Presidentt of the Indian Merchants' Chamber.

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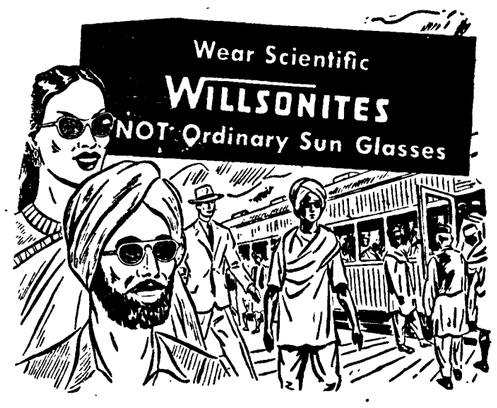

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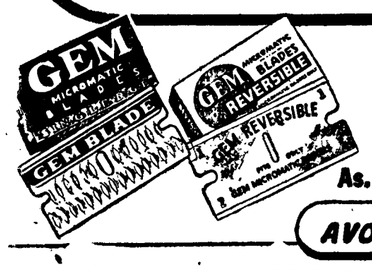

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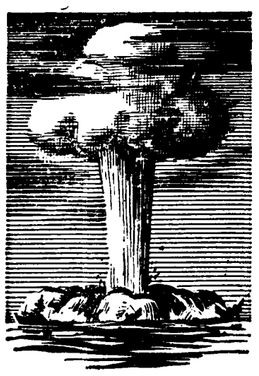

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Budget Based On "Quranic Injunctions"

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The accumulated surplus of the Department at the end of the current year is expected to be Rs. eight and half crores and it is proposed to give it a rebate of interest on this amount instead of only Rs. one crore as hitherto. The contribution from the Railways is estimated at Rs. 7.5 crores.

DEFENCE SERVICES

Although the general demobilisation of the armed forces and the shutting down of the war time activities of the Defence Services will, by the end of 1946-47, have brought us a very long way on the road towards the restoration of a peace regime, the conditions likely to obtain during the year 1947-48, will, in some respects, be far from normal. On the Army side, roughly 200,000 men will still remain to be released before the provisional demobilisation target is reached. The problem of the strength and composition of India's post-war Army, Navy and Air Force, raises numerous considerations of high policy which are at present engaging our earnest attention. The recruitment of British officers into the Indian Army which ceased on the outbreak of the Second World War, will not be resumed, and pending the complete Nationalisation of that Army, British Service officers will be seconded thereto for short terms of service only.

INDO-BRITISH FINANCIAL SETTLEMENT

Referring to the financial settlement between the Government of India and H.M.G. the Finance Member said that it would come to an end on the 31st March, 1947. With effect from the 1st April, 1947, all Defence Expenditure incurred by India will be charged direct to her Defence Estimates as was done before the war, but appropriate recoveries will be effected from H.M.G. in respect of the cost of Indian troops employed outside India and for any other supplies and services rendered to that Government.

As regards home effective charges, the Finance Member referred to the difficulty in calculating these under the conditions now obtaining and also India's counter-claim for similar charges in respect of the Indian Army personnel employed by H.M.G. overseas. A further difficulty arises in respect of the mutual liabilities of two Governments towards each other in respect of non-effective charges, the agreement concerning which will terminate concurrently with the main financial settlement. This problem has formed the subject of discussion with H.M.G. and after a broad examination of the financial implications involved it has been agreed that for the year 1947-48 there should be a mutual waiver of all claims and payments of the nature referred to above. The method of adjusting claims and counter-claims will have to be settled by negotiation in the light of the circumstances then existing.

Continuing the Finance Member referred to the heavy accumulations of stocks in the hands of the Defence authorities in India which under the operation of the Financial settlement belong to H.M.G.

The Government of India propose to acquire possession of such stocks held on the First April 1947 and to buy out H.M.G.'s interest in fixed assets comprising store buildings, hospitals, workshops, office and residential accommodation, etc., the terms on which these stocks and assets will be acquired will be negotiated in the course of the Sterling Balances discussion.

The Budget Estimates of Defence Expenditure for 1947-48 amount to Rs. 188.71 crores. The practice introduced during the war of providing for certain classes of expenditure, e.g., on air fields, industrial expansion and new construction for the R.I.N. under a capital head will be discontinued and commencing with the year 1947-48 all such expenditure will be provided for in the Revenue Estimates.

Civil Expenditure next year is estimated at Rs. 139.17 crores, Rs. 4.19 crores less than in the current year. The estimates include a total provision of over Rs. 13 crores under the various heads of expenditure on Resettlement and Development schemes. Subsidies on imported foodgrains are expected to cost Rs. 17.35 crores against Rs. 20 crores this year.

BUDGET AT A GLANCE

The budgetary position next year at the existing level of Taxation will therefore be:—

	In crore of Rupees.
REVENUE ..	279.42
EXPENDITURE ..	327.88
Defence ..	188.71
Civil Estimates ..	139.17
Total ..	327.88
DEFICIT ..	48.46

The expenditure estimates do not take into account expenditure as a result of decision on the recommendations of the Pay Commission.

BORROWINGS

We had budgeted this year for a total borrowing of Rs. 250 crores. We now estimate tmat the market borrowings this year would amount to no more than Rs. 112 crores.

The conversion operation has resulted in an annual saving of interest of about Rs. 1.3 crores. Over Rs. 260 crores out of Rs. 273 crores were converted mostly in three percent undated loan.

For next year, the market borrowings have been taken at Rs. 150 crores.

The Government propose to encourage the small savings movement in co-operation with the provincial governments

STERLING BALANCES

The sterling balances after reaching a peak figure of Rs. 1,733 crores on the 5th April 1946 have shown a steady tendency to decline, the amount on 31st January 1947 being Rs. 1605 crores, a decrease of Rs. 128 crores in ten months, due largely to the heavy import of food grains. It reflects also some repatriation of British capital, in increasing flow of consumer goods of which the country has been starved during the war. The Sterling Balances represent by and large the entire reserve of foreign exchange which this country will have at its disposal in the coming years for purchases of capital equipment required for development and for meeting any unfavourable balance of payments. It is, therefore, a matter or paramount importance for our future to see that these balances are wisely spent in the purchase of capital goods and creation of production assets and not be allowed to be frittered away on luxuries.

The Finance Member then referred to the recent preliminary talks of an exploratory nature and said:—

"The immminence of constitutional changes consequent upon the latest statement on H.M.G. render it all the more important that the question of Sterling Balances should be settled at the earliest possible date. I shall therefore, try my best to bring to bear on this matter as much expedition as the magnitude of the problem permits.

I cannot believe that any fair-minded person will wish to deny to a people so poor and backward as we, what is justly due to us and is so greatly needed for raising us from our appallingly miserable condition and it will be my aim to secure a just settlement of our claims."

DOLLAR POOL

Regarding the Dollar Pool the Finance Member said:

"The termination of India's membership of the Dollar Pool is a matter indissolubly linked with the settlement of the question of the Sterling Balances and I can safely say that such a settlement will coincide with the termination, so far as we are concerned, of the pooling arrangement."

The Finance Member also referred to the notable decision taken by the Assembly on the 28th October 1946, in approving of India's membership of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, a decision which he described as of far-reaching importance.

In dealing with the progress of post-war development and the financial aspect of measures undertaken and contemplated, the Finance Member referred briefly to the financial resources likely to be available for the purpose. In his budget speech for 1944-45 Sir Jeremy Raisman had suggested that the total resources in the first effective quinquennium may be of the order of Rs. 1000 crores. That tentative estimate was based on certain assumptions, not all of which have been realised in full and a later estimate prepared on more uptodate data has shown that only a very small surplus of Revenue account would accrue to the centre for the quinquennium as a whole and the total resources would be substantially below Sir Jeremy Raisman's estimate. Until the constitution of the authority or authorities to which the powers and functions of the present Central Government will be transferred is known, it is hardly prudent to rely on a system of provincial and central finance based upon the existing constitutional structure, but this does not mean that for the next year, we should not proceed with our economic programme, particularly in the provincial sphere.

DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

The defelationary tendencies which were envisaged in last year's budget speech as a posaible result of the sudden curtailment of military expenditure have proved to be less serious than was anticipated and as the situation developed, it was found necessary to warn Provincial Govenment's that the works programme in their development schemes should be restricted to what their staff could execute without undue strain, and within the limitations of material likely to be available, so as to avoid competitive increases of building costs which are already very high. Subject to this warning the Provincial Governments have been encouragd to proceed with their development programmes and considerable progress has in fact been made during the year. The Government of India will make every effort to provide during the next grants for the provinces to the extent indicated in the last year's budget speech, although these grants are necessarily dependent on our financial position.

In the next year's budget, we have provided Rs. 45 crores for development grants and Rs. 32 crores for loans to the provinces.

One important development which deserves specific mention is the assumption of financial responsibility for the construction of and maintenance of National highways from the first of April 1947 and a total provision of about Rs. six and a half crores for National Highways expenditure during 1947-48 Rs. two and quarter crores in the Revenue Budget and the balance in the Capital Budget has been made.

HOUSING SCHEMES

Another item which was mentioned last year is the subsidised housing scheme. Owing to the very hign cost of building there has not so far been much response to the Central Government's offer to pay twelve and a half per cent of the total cost of approved schemes. The matter is however again under discussion with the Provincial Governments. The Central Government have themselves approved a special scheme for the housing of coal miners and as an experimental measure ten thousand houses are to be constructed on selected sites in the Bengal and Bihar coalfields.

The Department of the Central Government and the Governments of Bengal and Bihar have reached a tentative agreement on the Damodar Scheme which involves the building of eight dams and is expected to cost about Rs. 55 crores. Considerable progress has also been made with the preliminary enquiries which are being conducted by the central waterways, irrigation and Navigation Commission in connection with the Kosi and Mahanadi Development schemes.

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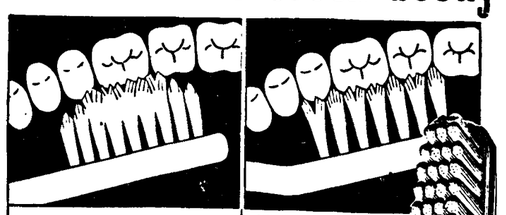

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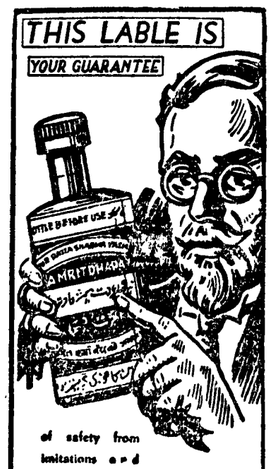

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COTTON RULES QUIETLY STEADY

Bullion Market Improves On Professional Support

BOMBAY, Feb. 28.

The pre-Budget Session on the Bombay Stock Exchange failed to show any marked change in quotations. Traders were anxiously awaiting Budget proposals. Tata Steel Dfds. opened at Rs. 2560 and improved at Rs. 2575 but quietened at Rs. 2565. Ordinary shares opened at Rs 470 and after declining at Rs. 468, steadied at Rs. 470. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 2590 and improved at Rs. 2605 and reacted at Rs. 2595. Kohinoors opened at Rs 831 and after declining at Rs. 829, steadied at Rs. 831. Swadeshi Mill shares opened at Rs. 752 and after advancing at Rs. 760 steadied at Rs. 755. Central Bank shares were placed at Rs. 133.

MILLS SHARES

Bombay Dyeing 2612/8 Kohinoor 836 Swadeshi 760 Nagpur 367 Simplex 375/8 New Great 462 Gokak 358 Indore 672/8 Century 1060 Colaba 295 Indian Bleaching 178 Swan 428 Finlay 362 Morarji 770 Edward 702/8 Meyer 282/8 Apollo 5/1 I. U. Ordinary 18/5 I. U. Defd 4/2 Madhusudan 505 Podar 365 Khatav 385.

STEEL SHARES

Tata Steel Ord. 471/8 Tata Steel Dfd. 2577/8 Second Pref. 168.

CEMENT

Associated Merger 199/8

INDUSTRIES

Burma 557/8 Bellapur 283 Shivrajpur 47 Scindia 37/5 P. Construction 262 Tata Chemical 17/14 Tata Oil 101 Indian Iron 43/7 Bengal Steel 34/4.

ELECTRIC SHARES.

Tram Ordinary 116/8 Tata Hydro 185/8 Andhra 1637/8 Tata Power 1760

MILLS (CASH).

Elphinstone 100 Bhoenix 1355 India Manufacturing 4300 Kooria 300 Dawn 1600 David 180 New City 285 Minerva 300 Bradbury 715 Bharucha (Defd.) 9 Bharat 61 Mysore 330 Madhavji 20 Model 261/4 Laxmi 1870 Vishnu 725 Western 4300 Standard 612/8 Sholapur 7400 Sassoon Cotton 24/8 Hindustan 4300 Tata 118 Ahmedabad Advance 530 Sassoon Silk 101 New Union 26/14 Madhusudan B. 107 Shrinivas 435 Raja Bahadur 116/4 Berar 375 Victoria 425.

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH)

Ahmedabad 170 (New) 129 Surat (Ord.) 243/12 New Pre. 211/4 Karachi 240 Broach 13 Ajmer 15/2 Amalgamated 20/4 Jalgaon 14/12 Nagpur 58 Poona 260 Bombay Suburban 202/8 Bombay Suburban (New) 164/10.

BANK SHARES

Reserve 134 Imperial 2500 P. P. 626/4 Central 132 India 254/8 Union 13/14 Baroda 179 Habib 200 A. B. C. 56 Dena Bank 10/8 United Commercial 95 Jaipur 75 Bikaner 31 Hindustan Corpn. 59 National Savings (fully paid) 82 Mysore 505 Exchange (Ord.) 65 Eastern 112 Bombay Provincial 85.

INSURANCE

Oriental 6300 Empire 975 New India 97 Jupiter 38/8 Vulcan 16/12 Indian Mercantile 63/8 Universal Fire 20/8 Vasant 26/4 British India General 26/8 Industrial Prudential 61/12 Neptune 13/6 New Great 43 All-India General 40/8

RAILWAYS

C. P. 107 Mymensing 113 Guaranteed 113 Sara Sirajganj 116 Pachora 101 Mandra Bhon 116

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 580 Steamer 617/8 Burma New 202/8 Burma Petrol 4/3 Mackenzie 185 Port Canning 90 Kemp 575 Zandu Pharmacy 202/8 Indian Radio (Ord.) 377/4 Indian Radio B 375 Indian Radio 362/8 Indian Investment Trust 121/8 Wimco 650 Dharamsey Chemical 43/8 Mukund Iron 14/12 Dena Trust 25 Alembic 355 Supreme India 228 Jamwire 141/8 Bombay Uganda 85 Bombay Motor Cycle 43/8 India Cement 42 Walchand Nagar Industries 390 United Motor 70 A. C. C. New 87.

PREFERENCE SHARES.

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 295 Tram 53 Andhra Valley 1370 Tata Power 1440 Hydro 146/4 Bombay Steamer 348 12 Nagpur 720 Swadeshi 150 Vishnu 805 Laxmi 306/4 New Great 268 12 Poddar 116 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 131 4 Bradbury 553/12 Surat Elec 211/4 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 153/12 (2nd Pref.) 122/8 Amalgamated 156/4 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 122/8 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 19/12 Supreme 107.

OUTSIDE SHARES.

Indian Copper 4/2 B. I. C. 10/15 Burma Corporation 5/1 New Victoria 7/8 New Victori Preference 8/8 Raja 40 Phalton 140 Gold Mohar 405 New Kaiser Hind 470 Sajjan 375 Osmanshahi 350 Ajam Shahi 350 Air Services 20 Birla Motors 9/1 Marshall 92/12 Air India Premium 175.

BUDGET SESSION

8 p.m.

The Budget Session of the Share Bazar opened very steady and there was persistent selling. Tata Steel Dfd. Shares at one time recorded a drop of over Rs. 100, Tata Steel Dfds. opened at Rs. 2,605 and declined at Rs. 2,540. At this level there was scattered buying and improved at Rs. 2,570 but renewed selling depressed the Market at Rs. 2,490 and steadied at Rs. 2,510. At this level there was heavy rush of sellers and Tata Steel Dfds. declined at Rs. 2,400, Ordinary at Rs. 438 and Bombay Dyeings at Rs. 2,360. Later on there was some covering and closing quotations were as under:—

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

STEELS

Tata S. Deferred 2430, Tata S. Ordinary 447, Indian Iron 40/4, Bengal Steel 31/8.

TEXTILES

B. Dyeing 2475, Central India 357, Finlay 351, Gokak 346, Kohinoor 780, New Great 450, Simplex 367/8, Swadeshi 712, Swan 420, Apollo 4/14, Edward 702/8, Ind. U. Defd. 3/12, Ind. U. Ord. 17/4, Indore 637/8, Meyer 232/8.

ELECTRICS

Andhra 1630, Tata Power 1715, Tata Hydro 185/8, Tram 116.

BANKS & INSURANCE

Central 128/8, Imperial Old 2497/8, India 250, Reserve 132, New India 97/8.

MISCELLANEOUS

Associated Cement 194, Belapur 268, Burma New 195, P. Construction 246, Scindia 35/8, Tata Oil 100, Tata Chemical 17/14, Wimco 653/8.

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Feb. 28.

The cotton market opened steady and improved further under scattered buying. As soon as the demand was satisfied there appeared active liquidation by recent buyers and the market reacted sharply. Thereafter there was scattered buying.

May contract opened at Rs. 447/8 and improved at Rs. 448/4 under scattered buying. At this level there was heavy selling and May declined at Rs. 444/12. Later on the market steadied at Rs. 445/8.

Thereafter there was scattered buying which improved May contract at Rs. 446/4 while March after declining at Rs. 431/8 steadied at Rs. 432/8.

May delivery advanced at Rs. 447-8 but reacted at Rs. 446-12 at 5 p.m.

After the Budget the Market ruled quiet and May declined at Rs. 445 and finally closed at 7 p.m. as under;

	Rs.	a.	p.
I.C.C. March	431	12	0
I.C.C. May	445	10	0
I.C.C. July	458	2	0
I.C.C. Sept.	466	6	0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton May Contract is 1615 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

BOMBAY, Feb. 27.

	Hi.	Lo.	Closing.
March	433-3/4	432-1/4	433-5/8
May	447-3/4	445-1/4	447-3/8
July	459-3/4	458	459-3/4
Sept.	467-3/4	466	467-3/4
Karachi 4F March	46-6-6	46-2-3	46-5-3

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

BOMBAY, Feb. 28.

Quotations at 2-30 p.m.:—

Tata Ordinary 471/8; Tata Deferred 2577/8; Indian Iron 43/7; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 34/4; Bombay Dyeing 2612/8; Central India 366/14; Gokak 358/2; Kohinoor 836/4; Simplex 375/8; Swadeshi 760; Tata Power 1760; Associated Cement 199/8; Belapur 283/2; Bombay Burma (Old) 557/8; Scindia 37/5; Central Bank 131/14; New India 96/14; Tata 2nd Pref. 168/2.

CALICUT MARKET

CALICUT, Feb. 28.

Coiryarn Beypore 180/190, Quilandy 200/210 Gibre Garbled 177/8 Ungarbled 165 Cocoanuts Raw 115 Dry 125 Cocoanut Oil 435 Copra Office 275 Dilpasand 295 Madrasnottam 320 Goodgooda 280 Pepper Wynaad 565 Country 560 Dry Ginger Chernard 310 Ernad 290 Coffee Robusta 90 Timber Pali 75 Junglewood 35 Vellapine 55 Benteak 25 Teak 120 Mango Planks 3/8 Teak 18 Rosewood 18.

HAPUR MARKET

HAPUR, February 27.

Silver Futures Opened 129/8 Later 130/1 Gold Futures Opened 88/2 Later 88/14 Highly sensitive and unpredictable due uncertain budget disclosers Guwar Ready 10/8 Old 10/2/6 Bardana Ready Md. 84/8 DW 93 Chet 83/12 Asar 82/8 Gur 12/9 Shakkar 14/8 Cotton 36 Cottonseed 15 Mustardseed 23 Taraseed 21/12 Oil 55 Oilcake 4/10 Groundnut 14 Oil 55 Oats 12/8 Methi 13. Linseed Oil 53 Pulse Arhar 13 Urad 17/9 Moong 14/3/6 Grains Wheat 16/8 Gram 13/2 Maize Desi 9/2/3 Foreign 8 Bajra 9/2/6 Juwar 8/3 Barley 2/4/6 Peas 11/8 Behar 9/6/6 Stock Wheat 1 Gram 6 Barley 585 Peas 7 Bejhar 37 Other Cereals 2 Arrivals Khatties.

CHICAGO WHEAT.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27

March 2.43
May 2.30-1/2 to 2.30.
July 2.07-1/2 to 2.07-1/4.
September 2.02-1/2 to 2.02.

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Erratic Price Movement On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

NEW CROP YEAR TO BEGIN WITH SMALLEST SUPPLY

NEW YORK, Feb. 27. (U.P.A.): Quiet trading and erratic prices featured to-day's session of the New York Cotton Exchange. Prices swayed over a range of dol. 1.90 per bale. The opening gains of one to 11 extended themselves to 16 to 33 in the first hour. Prices however weakened in the last hour following heavy New Orleans wire house and room trader selling, closing with a net nine to 20 down. Prices were swayed by the trend in grains and securities and were influenced by recurring rumours that the remainder of the export subsidy might be eliminated at any moment. The mid-session recoveries were coupled with trade, mill and shipper buying for French fixations and textile orders, but the upturns met technical realizing and southern offerings. Until near the finish, aggressiveness was lacking either way and the market was apparently in process of consolidating its position after the sharp recent advance and the pending further appraisal of the situation in March.

TRADE INTEREST.

Technicians believe that smaller trade interests had equalized their positions in March. Meanwhile, leading spot firms were reported to be holding the long position and the remaining shorts face the possibility of a further squeeze with consequent widening of the premium over May. No notices were issued to-day against March. The closing March-May spread was 118 points, the widest during the life of the delivery. More attention is turning to the May-July spread. The present difference of two cents is considered too wide and a tightening statistical position in old crops is expected to narrow the gap. Some quarters forecast that the price for May will exceed the present highs marked up for March thus far. That trend is considered inevitable as mills are consuming raw cotton at an extremely high rate in order to take advantage of the current high textile prices.

The pause in the market activity was coupled with a disposition on the part of dealers to await the appraisal of producer reaction to the recently attained 35-cent level.

While no material expansion in producer selling is noted, traders point out to the possibility that any signs of a worthwhile setback in the current levels may induce heavier marketing for the remainder of old crop holdings.

While export subsidy elimination rumours have adversely affected the market latterly, traders, taking a longer term view of the situation, are more bullish than otherwise since it merely emphasized shortages confronting domestic mills and the difficulty in obtaining sufficient quantities and qualities of staple to meet the huge backlog of textile orders.

SUPPLY POSITION.

Col. W. D. Anderson, President of the Bibb Manufacturing Company, leading Southern textile producers, stressed the statistical aspect of the cotton picture and urged that clients cover their commitments further ahead. He estimated that the probable end-of-the-season carry-over would be down to 2,500,000 bales—the smallest over thirty years. He said that the generally accepted guess is that domestic production next season would be around 10,000,000 bales. "If we make no more cotton than that, then we will start the new crop year with the smallest supply over 25 years."

Traders expressed the opinion that the market is in the phase of technical readjustments and after their completion, resumption of an uptrend is indicated.

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

MILLS

Apollo 5/1/6 5/1 5/1/6 5/1
Bharat 62 61
B. Dyeing 2585 86 97/8 92/8 2602/8 2580 2612/8
Bradbury 700 15
C. India 365 59 65 64 67
Century 1060
E. Textiles 705 700 2/8
Elphinstone 101 100
Finlay 366 63 64 60 62 59 62
Gokak 353 55 57 56 58
I. U. Defd. 4/1 4/1/6 4/1 4/2
I. Ord 18/5 18/6 18/3 18/6 18/4 18/5
Indore 665 72/8
Kohinoor 829 28 31 29 32 30 33 30 36
New Great 460 68 58 62
Simplex 370 67 75/8
Swan 428 30 28
Swadeshi 750 48 58 55 60
Tata Mills 118/8 18
Vishnu 720 28

BANKS

Central 133 33/8 31 32
Imperial Old 2475 2500
Imperial New 626/4
India 253/8 54 53/8 54/8
Reserve 131/8 34

ELECTRIC

Andhra Valley 1650 37/8
B. Tram 117 17/8 16 16/8
Tata Power 1750 62/8 60

INSURANCE

New India 96/8 97/4 97

STEAMER

B. Steam 615 20 17/8
Scindia 37/2 36/14 37/3 36/13 37/5

STEEL

B. Steel 33/14 34/6 34/2 34/3 34/2 34/4
I. Iron 43 43/10 43/7
Tata Defd. 2560 70 55 72/8 60 67/8 60 77/8
Tata Ord. 467 71 68 70 68/8 69 68/8 70 68/8 71/8

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 590 80
A.C.C. Old 203 193/8 99 98 200 199/8
A.C.C. New 86 87 86 88 87
Belapur 282 81 83 82 84 83
B. B. Old 560 53/12 56/4 53 56/4 55 57/8
B. B. New 201/4 3/12 1/4 2/8
B.B. Petrol 4/3 4/4 4/3
P. Construction 260 62 59 63 59 62
Tata Chemical 17/12 17/9 17/14
Tata Oil 103 100 1 99 100/8 1
Wimco 655 30
Ahmedabad Elec. New 126/10 29

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, Feb. 28.

The Bullion Market was quiet today and some Banks offered gold. Thus there was more inclination to liquidate.

Fagan silver opened at Rs. 151/14 and declined at Rs. 150/8. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 156/8. Fagan gold opened at Rs. 94/8 and declined at Rs. 93/4. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 99/4.

Later on there was further moderate selling and Fagan silver was quoted at Rs. 150/4 while gold declined at Rs. 92/10.

Later on there was active buying by some professional operators on expectation of increase in import duty and at 5 p.m. Fagan Silver was quoted at Rs. 152-7 and Fagan Gold was placed at Rs. 94-12.

After the Budget the Market was steady and Fagan Silver was placed at Rs. 152-4 and Fagan Gold was quoted at Rs. 95-8.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Feb. 28.

The Produce market was quiet today with long liquidation. Castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs. 124/12 and improved at Rs. 125/2 but later declined at Rs. 124/2 in profit taking. Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS—

Khandesh Ready	Unquoted		
Coromandal Ready	Unquoted		
Bold	Unquoted		

LINSEEDS—

Ready	29	0	0
February/March	26	6	0
April/May	26	9	0

CASTORSEEDS—

Navlakhi Ready	27	13	0
February/March Navlakhi	27	0	0
Goa Ready	27	13	0
Bombay Ready	143	0	0
May Delivery	124	10	0

GROUNDNUTS OIL—

Bombay Mills	12	14	0
Linseed Oil	20	8	0
Castorseed Oil	18	12	0

After the Budget May Castorseeds opened at Rs. 125 and declined at Rs. 124-2 and steadied at Rs. 124-4.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, Feb. 27.

March	34.60—09
May	33.42—16
May highest	33.78+20
May lowest	33.40—18
July	31.42—14
October	28.67—20
December	27.86—09
January	27.63—09
Middling Spot	34.95—08

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New York, Feb. 27.

March	34.30—09
May	33.58—16
July	31.40—23
October	28.75—02
December	27.88—05
Middling Spot	33.95—30

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.

American Telephone & Telegraph	170-7/8
Amerex Holding Co.	33-1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining	40-3/4
Chase Nation Bank	37-5/8
Sinclair Oil	15-5/8
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.	58-7/8
General Electric Co.	37-3/4
General Motors	60-3/4
Ingersol Rand	125
International Nickel	33-1/2
National City Bank of New York	40-1/8
New York Central Rail Road Co.	19-7/8
Socony Vacuum Corporation	14-5/8
Texas Corporation	57
Union Carbon & Carbide	97-3/4
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	51
U. S. Steel Corporation (Common)	74-5/8
Western Union Telegraph	21-1/4

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, Feb. 27.

Silver: Spot	46 d.
Forward	44-1/2 d.
Gold bars fine per oz.	£8/12/3

LONDON EXCHANGES

LONDON, Feb. 27.

T. T. London on:	
New York sellers	4.027
New York buyers	4.032
Madrid	44.00
Montreal sellers	4.027
Montreal buyers	4.032
Zurich sellers	17.34
Zurich buyers	17.36
Stockholm sellers	14.47
Stockholm buyers	14.50

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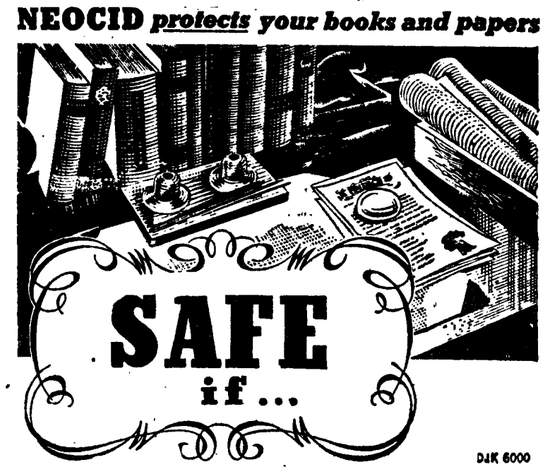

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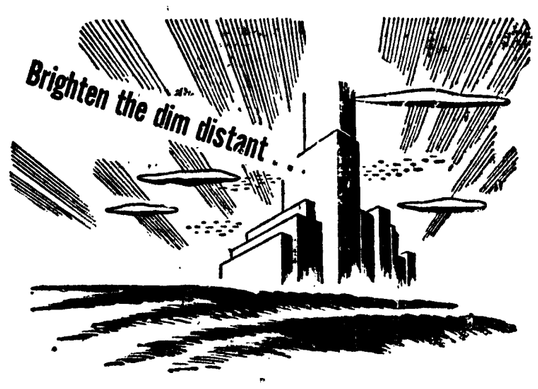

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Wanted Engineers for designing tools and jigs. Must be well experienced. Apply with copies of testimonials to Box No. 2315, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted Clerk for part time, knowing typewriting and English Correspondence. Apply Box No. 5074, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a General Clerk, knowing office routine, correspondence and accountancy. Apply with full particulars as regards experience and the minimum salary expected to Box No. 120 "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted a Cashier and an Accountant for Petit Parsee General Hospital, Cumballa Hill. Apply with copies of testimonials. Security essential. Pay Rs. 100 plus D. A. plus afternoon meals. Apply Box No. 5012, "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted Draftsmen for drawing work for tools and fixtures. Only those experienced in the line need apply with copies of testimonials to Box No. 2316, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a Bright Advertisement Canvasser on pay and Commission Basis for securing advertisement in local and outstations. Only experienced canvassers should see personally between 9 to 12 a.m. Bhatia advertising agency, 49, Nagdevi Cross Lane, Bombay 3. (5081)

Wanted one Stenographer and one Typist having experience of Solicitors Office work. Apply Box No. 5062 "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted a Stenotypist, who can handle, independent correspondence male or female. Pay according qualification. See personally. Between 9 to 12 a. m. Bhatia Advertising Agency, 49, Nagdevi Cross Lane, Bombay 3. (5080)

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Applications are immediately invited by the Bharat Iron Works Station Road, Ahmednagar, for the following posts: (1) One Mechanical Engineer with experience of Moulding, Workshop and pattern-making. (2) Moulders, (3) Pattern Makers and (4) one Battiwala. Apply with full particulars as to the experience, age, qualifications, and minimum pay expected. 2269

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Wanted for temporary period Draftsman and Assistants for an Architect's Office. Apply Box No. 5065, "Bombay Chronicle."

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APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for enlistment in the waiting list for the following clerical posts in the Bombay Office of the Reserve Bank of India.

Clerks Grade II: Grade Rs 75-5-100-E.B. 5-125-E.B. 5-150.

In addition to the above grade, employees are entitled to dearness allowance and local allowance at rates prescribed by the Bank from time to time; the present rates are 20% of salary (subject to a minimum of Rs. 30) and 10% of salary (subject to a minimum of Rs. 10) per mensem respectively.

Graduates will be granted up to three initial increments and double graduates and others with high academic qualifications up to four initial increments on their appointment as Clerks Grade II.

Applicants should be of sound physique over the age of 18 but under the age of 22 (except in the case of candidates with higher educational qualifications, such as graduates, in which case the age limit may be extended to 25 years) and must have passed the matriculation or an equivalent examination.

Candidates must submit their applications with copies of at least two testimonials to the Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Post Box No. 901, Bombay 1, stating in the following order:—Name in full; address; age; date of birth; where born; religion or caste; father's name; father's occupation; educational qualifications; schools; colleges, universities attended; previous experience, if any; knowledge of shorthand and typewriting.

Applications must also be in the candidate's own handwriting and reach the Bank on or before the 15TH MARCH, 1947. Applications will not be acknowledged unless a fully stamped addressed envelope is enclosed.

No interviews will be granted to candidates except those who are specially called nor will the Bank enter into correspondence with unsuccessful candidates

Up-country selected candidates will be required to present themselves for interview at Bombay and will be paid railway fare at single inter-class rates to and from their place of residence. 2239

NOTICE.

WANTED STENOGRAPHERS on pay of Rs. 110/- per mensem (Rs. 110-5-180 E.B.-5-220) plus Temporary Additional Pay at Rs. 10/- per mensem and Dearness Allowance at sanctioned scale for Poona Applicants must be natives of the Bombay Province and should apply with copies of testimonials of any educational qualifications and good moral character (originals to be produced on demand) to the Deputy Inspector General of Police C.I.D., Bombay Province, Poona, so as to reach him not later than 15th March, 1947. (2289)

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Bellemont Kennels accommodate sick dogs. Write Seervai, first floor, Cosy Building, next to Gowalia Tank Road, Parsee Fire Temple. (2327)

MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

Rupees Twenty-five thousand's insurance Policy for an investment of Rupees five hundred. For Natural Death Rupees Twenty-five thousand. Accidental Death Rupees Fifty thousand. Loans will be given for Sickness, Education, Marriages, Business, for Buying or Building house. Wanted Ladies and Gentlemen everywhere to work in spare time. Daily income Rupees Hundred! Before insuring of every kind in any Company of the world, please obtain expert advice from us. Apply immediately Bhogilal Hiralal Shah and Company, Post Box Number—713, Bombay, 1. Telegraphic Address: "Bhogilalco" Bombay. (5006)

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For Sale—Pencils black lead, samples and prices from Hindustan Pencils Limited, 428, Kalbadevi Road, Bombay. (5047)

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2292 Acting Secretary.

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TENDER NOTICE
No. CP/14, CP/15 & CP/16

TENDERS ARE INVITED on the prescribed form No. G. S. 204 for the purchasing of the following.

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Commodity.	Quantity required in B.M.Ds. for:— Dohad.	Godhra.	Baroda.	Petlad.	Cambay.
1. Red chillies	300	40	150	—	—
2. Haldi	40	10	25	—	—
3. Zeera	30	5	25	—	—
4. Dhania	30	40	40	—	—
5. Black Merich	20	5	15	—	—
6. Dry cocoanuts	400	70	200	—	—
CP-14					
1. Firewood	3000	400	2000	200	200
CP-15					
2. Charcoal	2000	1000	1500	100	100

Tenders closing on 8-3-47 at 12-00 Hrs. in the office of the Dy. General Manager, Grain Shop Dept., Bombay.

Tender forms and terms can be had from the office of the Asstt. Controller, Grain Shop Department, Freelandgunj Dohad, on application.

For DY. GENERAL MANAGER,
Grainshop Dept., Bombay.
2328

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BOMBAY-SIND.

SEPARATE APPLICATIONS are invited before 15-4-1947 from natives of Bombay Province for the following posts in the office of the Directorate of Publicity, Bombay:

(1) ONE NEWS EDITOR—PAY Rs. 500-800.
(2) ONE ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR—PAY—Rs. 250-500.
(3) ONE INFORMATION OFFICER—PAY—Rs. 450-650.
(4) ONE ASSISTANT INFORMATION OFFICER—PAY—Rs. 250-450.

QUALIFICATIONS —Candidates should have (1) a degree in Arts, Science or Commerce of a recognised University, (2) sound knowledge of at least one of the regional languages, viz., Marathi, Gujarati, Kannada or Urdu and (3) experience in journalism and in addition, should have, for post (1) working knowledge of film, radio, poster and other field activity, for post, (2) knowledge of outdoor publicity work, for posts, (3) and (4) practical knowledge of collection and compilation of factual and statistical information. AGE—Candidates for posts, (1) and (3) should be not more than 32 years and those for posts (2) and (4) 30 years on 1-4-1947. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas postage stamps and UNCROSSED Indian Postal Order for Re. 1/- for each form payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission", Bombay, who will supply full details on request. (2324)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from candidates having domicile in the Province of Bombay to fill the posts of clerks and typist in the Factory Department, Bombay, on the scales given below. Minimum qualification matriculation or equivalent examination. Candidates with approved war service are eligible. Applications in candidates' own handwriting stating age, qualifications, speed of typing (if any), place of birth and caste or religion, with copies of University and Domicile certificates and other testimonials, if any, should reach the Chief Inspector of Factories, Menkwa Building, Outram Road, Fort, Bombay, not later than 10th March 1947. Clerks Rs. 35-5/2-75 (lower) Rs. 80-5-125 (higher) plus interim relief and compensatory and dearness allowances admissible. Typist Rs. 50-3-95 plus dearness allowance. (2322)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the temporary post of a Stenotypist in the grade of Rs. 50-5/2-90 PLUS shorthand allowance according to speed PLUS temporary additional pay and dearness allowance as admissible. Higher starting pay in the grade may be given to a candidate with good speed and experience. Graduates with experience of clerical work in Government office will be given preference. Applications giving full particulars of age, domicile, educational qualifications, experience, etc. should reach the Director of Industries, Old Custom House Yard, Bombay, in an envelope marked "TECHNICAL" on or before the 10th March, 1947. (2317)

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY PORT TRUST
ELECTRICALLY DRIVEN HYDRAULIC PUMPING SET

SEALED TENDERS are invited by the Chief Engineer, Bombay Port Trust, for the supply and delivery on site of one electrically driven, hydraulic pumping set, comprising one multi-stage centrifugal pump, 150 G.P.M. at 1,778 feet head, an electric motor, 400/440 volts, 50 cycles, 3 phases, A.C. supply, with automatic auto-transformer starter, power factor condenser etc. complete.

Detailed specifications, conditions of contract, schedule of quantities, tender form and layout drawing can be obtained from the Chief Engineer's office, Bombay Port Trust, Ballard Road, Fort, Bombay on payment of Rs. 10/- per set.

No tender will be considered which is not made on the prescribed form and which is not accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 400/- by crossed cheque as earnest money. The deposit will be returned to the unsuccessful tenderers.

Tenders will be received upto 1-0 p. m. (S. T.) on Saturday the 3rd May, 1947.

F. M. SURVEYOR,
Chief Engineer.
Ballard Road. Bombay.
(2310)

G. I. P. RAILWAY.
EMPLOYMENT NOTICE.

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill temporary vacancies of clerks and stenographers in the office of Executive and Asstt. Engineers, Bhore and Thull Ghauts, Lonavla and Igatpuri.

Educational qualification—must have passed Matriculation or Junior Cambridge or School Leaving Certificate examination of a recognised University or any equivalent examination recognised by Government. In addition, for the post of stenographer candidates should have proficiency in shorthand and type writing and should be able to pass an actual test before selection.

Starting pay for clerks Rs. 40/- per mensem in the scale of Rs. 30-4-50-E. B.-5-80 and for stenographers, Rs. 100/- per mensem in the scale of Rs. 100/- per mensem fixed. In addition, they will be eligible for dearness allowance at the rates in force from time to time and will also be allowed to purchase grain and other essential food stuffs from the railway grainshop at concession rates.

Age must not be less than 18 years or more than 25 years on 1st April 1947. For candidates from schedule castes, the upper age limit is 28 years.

Candidates should be physically fit in all respects and have the following sight standard—(a) Distant vision tested with Landolts split ring must not be less than 6/9 in either eye with or without glasses (b) Near vision: Snellen 0.6, in either eye with or without glasses.

Forms of application are obtainable from the Executive Engineer, Bhore and Thull Ghats, G.I.P. Rly., Lonavla, on remittance of Re. 1/- by Money Order. Full name and address of applicant must be entered in BLOCK CAPITALS on the Money Order coupon. Last date for receipt of Money Order —15-3-1947. Candidates called for interview must attend entirely at their own expense. A call to attend examination or interview will not imply the offer of definite employment.

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
Bhore & Thull Ghats, G.I.P. Rly.,
Lonavla.
(2336)

THE TATA OIL MILLS COMPANY LIMITED.
NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificates for Twenty-one Ordinary Shares Nos. 37751/53, 37004, 54180, 30948, 46692/94, 44681/82, 86262/71 of the above named Company registered in my name have been LOST or MISPLACED. Any persons claiming in respect of these Shares should lodge their claim at the Registered Office of the Company, Bombay House, 24 Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, within one month from this date, otherwise the Company will proceed with the issue of duplicate Certificates.

(Sd.) RADHAKISAN RAGHUNATHPRASAD,
(Shareholder).
C/o. M/s. Tarachand Ghanshamdas,
55, Shaikh Memon Street, Bombay, 2.
Bombay, 27th Feb., 1947. (5064)

NOTICE.

IT IS NOTIFIED for the information of all concerned that I have applied for naturalization as a British Subject under the British nationality and status of Aliens Act, 1914 and that my application is at present under the consideration of the Government of India. Any person who has any objection to such naturalization may send his representation to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, New Delhi.

Name: HENRYK HENENFELD
Present Nationality: POLISH.
Full Address: Southlands, Colaba-Bombay. Opp. Post Office. (2225)

PUBLIC NOTICES

"M I L K"

SALE OF TONED AND BLENDED MILK AT CHEAP RATE.

GOVERNMENT have announced that sale of "Toned Milk", prepared in the special Government Dairy at Worli, will commence on 3rd March from 10, Government Grain Shops. Toned Milk contains not less than 4% fat and 9% solids-not-fat, and is a wholesome article of food, fully fit for infants and children also. IT WILL BE SOLD AT ONLY 8 ANNAS PER SEER.

SALES WILL BE FOR CASH, and no cards etc. are required, except that not more than one seer will be sold to one person at a time. The minimum quantity will be ¼ seer.

Hours of sale will be 4 P.M. till 6 P. M. daily, for the present. After a few days, sales will commence in the morning also.

Sale of Toned Milk will be made at the following Government Grain Shops, to start with.

Govt. Grain Shop No.	Address.
35	Kedar Chawl, Near Police Station, Delisle Road.
36	Irani Building, Near Sultan Chowki Gokhale Road.
139	Karmani Market, Near Petrol Pump, Junction Delisle Road and Arthur Road
89	Sanjana Building, Suparibag Road, Parel.
59	Ripon Road Junction, Sukhlaji Street, and Bellasis Road.
128	Chakuwalla Chawl, Khandia Street, Near J. J. Hospital.
132	Love Lane, Mazagaon.
23	Junction of Victoria Gardens and Sussex Road at Byculla.
183	Dada Building Suparibag Road, Parel.
21	Parel Village.

T. E. STREATFIELD,
Milk Commissioner,
Bombay.
27th February, 1947.

MILK
(Government Milk Distribution Scheme)

SALE OF SURPLUS MILK

THE NEW MILK DISTRIBUTION SCHEME, as announced, will start from the morning of 1st March, 1947. Pasteurised milk from Anand will also be distributed to the card holders as already announced. Surplus Anand milk will be available at some of the centres both morning and evening. Card holders as well as others will be able to purchase it for cash at 13 as. per seer.

T. E. STREATFIELD,
Milk Commissioner.
Bombay, 28-2-47. (2335)

NOTICE

OUR CLOTH SHOP run in the name of N. Chandrakant & Co. at Kitchen Garden Lane has been SOLD to its original proprietor Mr. Jeksandas Chhotalal Thakker on 27th February, 1947.

BHAILAL GROUP LIMITED.
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THE BOMBAY DYEING & MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Bombay Dyeing & Manufacturing Co., Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Neville House, Ballard Estate, Bombay, on THURSDAY, the 27th day of March, 1947, at 10-45 o'clock (S.T.) in the forenoon, or so soon thereafter as the business of the Ordinary General Meeting fixed for the same day has been concluded, for the purpose of passing three resolutions as Special Resolutions and three resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions, in terms of the notice posted to shareholders.

By Order of the Board,
NOWROSJEE WADIA & SONS LIMITED,
N. N. WADIA,
Director,
Agents,
The Bombay Dyeing & Mfg. Co., Ltd.

Bombay, 28th February, 1947.

To
The Shareholders of The Bombay Dyeing & Mfg. Co., Ltd., and in particulars to:—
Mrs. Gladys Mary Ainsworth, Miss Beatrix E. Alston Mr. C. H. T. Alston, Capt. John S. Alston, Miss Margaret S. Alston, Major W. H. S. Alston, Sir C. H. Armstrong, Kt., Miss E. B. Ashby, Mr. Ebrahim Mamoojee Badat, Mr. V. M. Clerk and Mrs. Rasila Clerk, Mr. Duncan Fraser, Mr. Stanley Hampson, Mr. James R. James, Mrs. Nan Ellis Jones, Mr. W. Ellis Jones, Mrs. Dorothy M. H. Mclean. Mr. J. R. Macpherson. Mrs. A. K Mawson, Mr. Hussen Saleh Mia Mr. Khoosal Sooka Mistri. C. K Mistri & N. K. Mistri, Mr. Hoosenmia A. H. Moosa, Mr. A. S. Parak, Mr. Arthur Godwin Powell Mr. Goolam Mahomed Dawood Seedat, Mr. Ismail Ahmed Shaikh Mr. Jal P. Shroff and Mrs. S. J Shroff, Mrs. Monti Gardon Stirling, Mrs. Elizabeth T. A. Thomson. 2321

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